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Memorandum by the Secretary-General

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## 1. ARGENTINA ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Address: Córdoba 2020, Rosario
Postal Code 2000
Santa Fe
Argentina

Category requested: General

Date established: 1985

Membership: the organization is a national organization, with 370 individual members and no organization members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 3 900 |
| Contributions from Governments | - |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income | 600 |
| Total income | 4 500 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 500 |
| Projects | - |
| Other activities | 4 000 |
| Total expenditure | 4 500 |

Aims and activities and intended participation in the work of the Council

According to its constitution, the following are the fundamental objectives of the organization:

(a) To support the development and codes of international law;

(b) To ensure cooperation and the communication between professors and researchers of related juridical and socio-political disciplines and the international community, and the exchange of information on their scientific activities;

(c) To promote the bringing up to date of their teaching and the facilitation of research coordinating individual and collective activities in those areas;

(d) To support the scientific improvement of their members, both in the country and abroad, as well as that of students and graduates who wish to specialize in disciplines related to international law;

(e) To support the formation and improvement of libraries and related documentation centres in this area;

(f) To programme and maintain the publications that are considered necessary for the appropriate execution of its purposes, in particular to support the diffusion of resolutions approved in its congresses and the scientific works of its members;

(g) To cooperate with activities that develop international organisms of a juridical character; and to contribute to the formation of a collective conscience that works towards the solution of international problems through justice and the law.

AADI works as a catalyst for the exchange of scientific knowledge and for the production and popularization of international law studies. It organizes and supports different scientific events of national and international character. The Association also publishes an annual with scientific articles linked to current problems of international law and a periodic bulletin, with news and topics of interest for its associates.

The organization intends to contribute in the area of international law in the work of the Economic and Social Council, in particular its subsidiary bodies, related organs and executive meetings that deal with such topics as economic, social and cultural rights, trade and development, environment and international law.

## 2. AMITIÉ SANS FRONTIÈRES INTERNATIONALE

Address: Hôtel Hermitage
Sq. Beaumarchais
MC 98000
Monaco

Category requested: Roster

Date established: 1996

Membership: the organization is an international organization, with 530 individual members and eight organization members in eight countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1 October 1996 to 30 September 1999 (French francs):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 58 557 |
| Contributions from Governments | - |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income | 17 127 |
| Total income | 75 684 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration* | - |
| Projects* | |
| Other activities* | |
| Total expenditure | - |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

Amitié sans frontières internationale is a service club that is open to all. It is, and has always been, founded on the principle of mixed membership (both men and women).

Its bases are justice, tolerance and friendship.

* Undertaken individually by every member of the Board of Directors or by the Monaco Club.

Its emblem is the sunflower, symbolizing the sun, which shines for everyone, regardless of his or her social caste, race, sex, nationality or creed.

Its main objective is humanitarian action on issues identified by the United Nations General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

Permission to establish an Amitié sans frontières club is granted strictly subject to the condition that the proposed new club must be located in a part of the world where human rights are respected.

The Amitié sans frontières service clubs that have been established to date in various parts of the world have, in the majority of cases, Presidents who are young adults between 30 and 40 years old and are strongly motivated by the Amitié sans frontières ethic. At the same time, those clubs include many older members, working in harmony with their younger colleagues to serve the human community more effectively.

Amitié sans frontières clubs have been active in a broad range of fields. Their accomplishments to date have included:

Contribution to the establishment of a shelter for street children in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil;

Participation in the fight against AIDS by providing financial support for specialists working in the field of medical research;

Organization of a cancer prevention campaign;

Support for the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the context of Operation ReUNite, which is aimed at locating Yugoslav refugee children dispersed in various host countries and reuniting them with their parents;

Support for an ecological campaign aimed at the reforestation of a mountain that had been devastated by a forest fire;

Provision of equipment for an analysis laboratory in Benin;

Support for a Mediterranean Sea protection project;

Support for the Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees through the launching of Operation Rebuild, which is aimed at providing assistance for the victims of conflict in the Balkans.

In the future, Amitié sans frontières intends to focus on action on behalf of educationally underprivileged children, children who are forced to do work that is not compatible with their age, women who are denied their essential rights, and, in general, all victims of injustice and intolerance. Every one of our projects, however modest, is or will be a step towards peace.

## 3. CENTER FOR POLICY ALTERNATIVES

Address: 1875 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Suite 710
Washington, D.C. 20009
United States of America

Category requested: special

Date established: 1978

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with no individual or organization members.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (United States dollars):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Membership dues | - |
| Contributions from Governments | 94 975 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 3 224 974 |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income | 339 954 |
| Total income | 3 659 903 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 587 977 |
| Projects | 2 130 751 |
| Other activities | 926 830 |
| Total expenditure | 3 645 558 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The Center for Policy Alternatives (CPA) is the United States' leading non-profit, non-partisan public policy and leadership development centre devoted to community-based solutions that strengthen families and communities. CPA links elected leaders across the 50 states and abroad with private and independent sector leaders in the search for common ground, new ideas and resources to create solutions that work. CPA's mission is to engage a new generation of leaders around the world to envision and realize progressive solutions for our future, including:

- Secure and healthy families;
- Thriving, energized communities;
- Sustainable growth and development;

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- Preservation and renewal of resources;
- Fair, flourishing and inclusive economy;
- Vibrant, participatory democracy.

CPA's policy work focuses on elder and child care, community economic development, education, job training, entrepreneurship and microenterprise, community health, and economic self-sufficiency, including equal pay and a living wage. CPA's leadership development programmes promote values-based public policy, encourage and strengthen civic participation, and bring together elected and community leaders to collaborate on creative policy solutions to the issues facing our communities and families. These programmes work to engage newly emerging leaders and under-represented communities, especially women, minorities and youth.

CPA carries out the organization's mission through its Flemming Fellows Leadership Institute and Regional Policy Leaders Forums, which use retreats and issue and leadership development forums to bring together and train newly elected leaders. Its grass-roots leadership development programmes use conferences, public awareness campaigns and technical assistance to strengthen civic participation. CPA continues to develop and implement its women-led economic agenda through extensive polling and research projects, forums and policy publications. Its health-care initiatives offer technical assistance and educational resources to community health programmes. CPA's web site is used extensively as a policy and model programmes resource centre and as an organizing and communications tool.

CPA is interested in being active in the Commission on the Status of Women, especially on issues related to economic self-sufficiency, microenterprise, community economic development, community health, job training, education, child and elder care and ageing. CPA also intends to be active in the special session of the General Assembly on the five-year review of the Beijing Platform for Action. We will continue to play a leadership role in United States Women Connect, the NGO working group aimed at promoting implementation of the Platform for Action that resulted from Beijing and will remain active in a working group of national organizations focused on the ratification of the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in the United States.

## 4. GLOBAL CROP PROTECTION FEDERATION

Address: 143, avenue Louise
B-1050 Brussels
Belgium

Category requested: special

Date established: 1996

Membership: the organization is an international organization, with no individual members and six organization members in six countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (Belgian francs):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Membership dues | 30 940 000 |
| Contributions from Governments | - |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | 27 446 656 |
| Other income | 47 146 159 |
| Total income | 105 532 815 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 59 958 466 |
| Projects | 53 033 701 |
| Other activities | - |
| Total expenditure | 112 992 167 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

GCPF's overall objectives are to promote understanding of the crop protection industry's contribution to society and to coordinate the membership network of associations in order to:

- Achieve effective representation of the industry in its relations with international organizations, which are carried out through formal consultative links, correspondence and "seminar diplomacy";

- Operate an effective global intelligence network to help circulate information, share experience among member associations and coordinate actions to face emerging challenges. GCPF committees and working groups meet regularly. GCPF maintains Intranet and Internet sites. Training courses allow smaller and newer industry associations to learn from more experienced colleagues in larger associations;

- Emphasize the industry's value added to the production of high-quality food and fibre and its contribution towards the achievement of food security for all in a growing world population. GCPF sponsors a global safe use initiative, a series of projects designed to teach farmers how to safely employ crop protection products. Projects are managed locally and reflect local social and economic conditions. GCPF also advocates the adoption of integrated crop management and integrated pest management;

- Communicate and promote industry positions on key issues and inform people about the progress achieved in crop protection. Information about the industry and its initiatives is disseminated through press releases, the Internet, and a series of brochures, guidelines, technical monographs, video and other documentation.

GCPF is well placed to represent the crop protection industry in discussions regarding sustainable development and other subjects that touch on modern agriculture. GCPF's experience with its safe use projects and integrated crop management have given it valuable experience in dealing with the social (cultural) and economic particularities that influence sustainable development on a local level. GCPF has shown itself willing to cooperate with international organizations on efforts to improve agricultural output in a responsible and sustainable manner. GCPF's input will be especially valuable for the Council in the preparation for the eighth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development.

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## 5. HAGUE APPEAL FOR PEACE

Address: c/o IWTC
777 United Nations Plaza
New York City, NY 10017

Category requested: special

Date established: 1997

Membership: the organization is an international organization, with no individual members and 109 organization members in 37 countries.

Summary of financial statement for October 1996-September 1999 (United States dollars):

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|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Membership dues | - |
| Contributions from Governments | 479 555 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | 15 000 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 257 689 |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income | 1 875 866 |
| Total income | 2 628 110 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 1 215 377 |
| Projects | - |
| Other activities | 1 207 929 |
| Total expenditure | 2 423 306 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The Hague Appeal for Peace is a global network of non-governmental organizations dedicated to the abolition of war and the development of a culture of peace. We work together with governmental and intergovernmental, especially United Nations, organizations to achieve our goals. We are dedicated to promoting the campaigns launched at our historic May 1999 conference at The Hague, which brought together over 10,000 people from 8,500 organizations and 100 countries. We are also sponsoring a worldwide campaign to universalize peace education in all schools and at the community level. We have brought together a network of leading educators as well as organizers to accomplish this goal.

The Hague Appeal for Peace was initiated by four international organizations, all in consultative status with the Council: International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (Nobel prize winner), International

Association of Lawyers Against Nuclear Arms, World Federalist Movement and the International Peace Bureau (Nobel prize winner). It was registered as a Stichting in September 1997 in the Netherlands, and later registered as a not-for-profit charitable organization in the United States in July 1999.

Our principal activity for the future will be focused on peace education, which we will do in collaboration with UNICEF and UNESCO and other NGOs. We will hold workshops, give speeches, circulate resources and develop curricula in an effort to integrate peace education into all schools and community settings.

The product of the Hague Appeal for Peace conference is the Hague Agenda for Peace and Justice for the Twenty-first Century (see A/54/98). The major themes of the Hague Appeal for Peace are: disarmament and human security, conflict prevention and resolution, international human rights, humanitarian law and institutions, and the root causes of conflict/culture of peace.

We are a Vice-Chair of the Millennium forum and will hold teach-ins during the Forum on the four themes. We will participate in a consultation on a children's agenda with UNICEF, and will work with UNIFEM on empowering women.

## 6. TRIGLAV CIRCLE

Address: P.O. 206
28 Farwell Road
Tyngsboro, MA 01879
United States of America

Category requested: general

Date established: 1996

Membership: the organization is an international organization, with 25 individual members and no organization members in 13 countries.

Summary of financial statement for May 1997-May 1998 (United States dollars):

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 1 250 |
| Contributions from Governments | - |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income | 7 942 |
| Total income | 9 192 |

| Expenditure | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 2 965 |
| Projects | 5 641 |
| Other activities | - |
| Total expenditure | 8 606 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

Nine participants in a seminar on ethical and spiritual dimensions of social progress, organized by the United Nations Secretariat at Bled, Slovenia, in October 1994, in the context of the preparation for the World Summit for Social Development (Copenhagen, March 1995), met at Cambridge, Massachusetts, on 13 January 1996, and established the Triglav Circle to pursue the discourse initiated at Bled. Today, Triglav Circle is incorporated as a non-profit organization.

The fundamental rationale of the Circle is to foster the core messages of the World Summit for Social Development articulated in the Copenhagen Declaration on Social Development that call for societies to respond more effectively to the material and spiritual needs of individuals, to their families and the communities in which they live; and the call for commitment to a political, economic, ethical and spiritual vision for social development that

is based on human dignity, human rights, equality, respect, democracy, mutual responsibility and cooperation, and full respect for the various religious and ethical values and cultural backgrounds of people.

The Triglav Circle is committed to social, political, and philosophical ideals. Its members endeavour to reflect them in their diverse professional domains and to promote them in world society. The Circle seeks to enrich the present discourse on sustainable economic growth, on the environment, and on social progress with reflections on culture, values, ethics and other non-material but significant dimensions of human life and society.

The Triglav Circle explores these ideas through individual efforts and organized discourses and in so doing, adds its voice to many others who in different quarters of the planet endeavour to promote more humane progress while preserving noble vestiges of the rich and diversified cultural and environmental heritage of humanity. While pre-eminently intellectual, this voice is to be articulated in a form that communicates with the general public. Philosophical perspectives and alternative paths to social progress, based on the premises of innate human dignity and spirit, will be sought in the common core of great philosophies, religions and cultures. The overall challenge for the Circle is to determine how these elements can be brought to bear practically on contemporary efforts to achieve sustainable development and social progress in harmony with the natural environment.

The Circle seeks to establish relationships with other individuals and organizations also committed to the betterment of the human condition, in particular the United Nations. It is presently focused on the follow-up of United Nations major world conferences, including the Rio Earth Summit and the Copenhagen Social Summit, which are central to the work of the Circle. The Circle has close links with the work of the Copenhagen seminars for social progress, organized by the Minister for Development Cooperation of Denmark to promote implementation of the objectives of the Social Summit. Among other institutions in correspondence with the Circle are the Centre international pour étude comparée de philosophie et d'ésthetique and the Harvard-Yenching Institute.

Through its meetings, the joint and separate research of its members and the dissemination of its reports, the Circle intends to contribute to the work of the Economic and Social Council, the Commission for Social Development and the Commission for Sustainable Development. Also, within existing regulations, the Circle intends to contribute to United Nations conferences on development issues, and to such special sessions of the General Assembly as the forthcoming five-year review of the World Summit for Social Development.

## 7. INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON DISTANCE EDUCATION

Address: Bahnhofstrasse 58
8001 Zurich
Switzerland

Category requested: Special

Date established: May 1997 (Switzerland); 15 December 1997 (Spain)

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 554 individual members and 13 organizational members in 9 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (United States dollars):

Income

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|---|---|
| Membership dues | 113 982 |
| Other NGOs | 6 500 |
| Other sources (collaboration courses) | |
| *Extras | 117 595 |
| Total | 238 077 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 65 539 |
| Projects (scholarships) | 113 976 |
| Other activities (extraordinary) | 829 |
| Total | 180 344 |

Aims and activities, and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The activities of the International Commission on Distance Education (CODE) are aimed at the development of distance-taught education programmes throughout the world as a precondition to the improvement of economic, social and personal conditions of all individuals. This development is based on the improvement of academic conditions, the study of new technologies, and ongoing support for students around the world, to enable them to take advantage of a system of education which is at once cheaper, simpler, more accessible, and more humane.

To achieve these objectives, the organization promotes a wide variety of activities: conferences, training courses at all levels, book and magazine publishing, use of the Internet etc. In collaboration with universities, CODE offers courses on conflict-solving, peace, international trade, and international relations. CODE also promotes the Albert Schweitzer International University, a humanistic project dedicated to peace studies, disarmament, and the improvement of health care in third world countries, and programmes to improve environmental conditions and working conditions in third world countries.

The development of the Internet and its associated technologies is one of the foundations of the activities of CODE. To that end, CODE will adapt itself to the new digital technologies so as to improve communication between its associate members throughout the world. CODE will seek early membership in ITU so as to be able to participate in the development of telecommunications as applied to teaching techniques.

If granted consultative status, CODE would create subsections analogous to those of the Council so as to better inform the Council of the concerns and proposals of its members and organizations. Equally, those subsections would respond to requests from the Council for reports for the organizations of the United Nations, thus fulfilling the commitment of our organization as a consultative body. CODE would participate in the General Assembly and in the preparatory commissions. It would continue to take part in United Nations conferences and in the General Assembly of UNESCO.

## 8. INTERNATIONAL ENERGY FOUNDATION

Address: P.O. Box 83617
Tripoli
Libya

Category requested: General

Date established: 26 March 1989

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 1,150 individual members and 20 organizational members in 96 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (Libyan dirhams)

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|---|---|
| Income | |
| Other (generated through the technical and scientific activities run by IEF) | 146 699 |
| Total | 146 699 |
| Expenditure | |
| Administration | 65 720 |
| Projects (conferences and exhibitions, seminars, courses) | 48 015 |
| Other activities (lectures, research) | 24 140 |
| Total | 137 876 |

Aims and activities, and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The International Energy Foundation (IEF) is an international, non-political, non-governmental, non-profit-making organization with international membership available to those interested and working in the field of energy - individuals and institutions. IEF disseminates information and establishes cooperation links among its members for the benefit of mankind and the environment, particularly in developing countries. Its activities include organizing conferences, seminars and workshops, granting awards, conducting studies and preparing publications etc. in its field of interest. It cooperates with other relevant international bodies to foster world education and scientific research.

IEF would undertake, alone or in cooperation with other relevant international regional or subregional organizations and institutions, programmes to meet the common objectives and goals for sustainable development, in a broad sense, that concern the Council.

9. YOUTH FEDERATION FOR WORLD PEACE

Address: 3600 New York Avenue NE
Washington D.C. 20002
United States of America

Category requested: General

Date established: 11 December 1996

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 91,202 members in 88 national chapter organizations.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Income** | | |
| Other income: | contributions | 13 752 |
| | investments | 20 151 |
| Total | | 33 903 |
| **Expenditure** | | |
| Administration | | 10 384 |
| Projects | | 1 345 |
| Total | | 11 729 |

Aims and activities, and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The Youth Federation for World Peace (YFWP) is dedicated to the belief that peaceful families are the foundation of peaceful societies, peaceful nations and a peaceful world. Through its initiatives to inspire the next generation of world leaders, YFWP promotes among youth and young adults worldwide the values of filial piety, premarital celibacy, marital fidelity, and public service to humanity. YFWP acknowledges that education is essential for successful character development. In each national chapter, YFWP members engage in community service projects appropriate to the needs and diverse perspectives of that culture, as well as to the YFWP vision. To encourage environmental responsibility, YFWP educates youth to protect and reclaim the natural world as both our refuge and our inspiration. YFWP upholds the fundamental rights of all human beings to attain spiritual and personal fulfilment in their lifetimes. YFWP advances understanding and builds harmony among peoples by transcending all barriers of gender, race, culture, religion, ideology, ethnicity, and nationality. It also networks and collaborates with other organizations supporting these ideals.

YFWP sponsors world congresses and participates in and sponsors international conferences; sponsors Continental Congresses (one each in Africa, South America, and Asia), gathering together YFWP national leaders, governmental

officials responsible for youth and United Nations non-governmental organization youth leaders to focus geographically on issues and to find solutions to youth problems, one continent at a time. It recognizes the efforts of national chapters or affiliates with its World Youth Service Award. It creates and provides literature in various languages and audio/visual materials that national chapters can use to promote and publicize YFWP's programmes and activities. It has developed a web site which provides space for every national chapter to develop its own web site and to link to the United Nations Youth Unit and to promote environmental awareness. Its newsletter is translated into at least two other languages. It recognizes and collaborates with other organizations, including subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, on a number of issues to influence youth positively and continues to seek out and work with individuals and organizations that associate or affiliate with the work of the United Nations.

Among the subsidiary bodies of the Council, the ones that YFWP believes share its aims and objectives are the Commission for Social Development and the United Nations Environment Programme. In the Commission, the two programmes that YFWP most closely identifies with are Families and the Process of Development and the United Nations Youth Information Network. As a United Nations non-governmental organization with consultative status, YFWP believes that it can influence youth to take a positive and proactive stand as peacemakers; that it can encourage youth to understand that by cultivating peace in the family they are cultivating peace in the world; that it can help youth realize they can ensure a peaceful world for future generations if they fulfil the standards that characterize a culture of peace, such as engaging in public service activities that transcend barriers between peoples and uplift the human spirit, that celebrate human diversity within one world family, and that promote environmental responsibility so that all peoples can benefit from the blessings that our home, refuge, and sanctuary provide.

YFWP believes that its aims and objectives are in accord with the general principles and goals of the United Nations, its organs and subsidiaries, and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

## 10. GIRLS INCORPORATED

Address: 120 Wall Street, 3rd Floor
New York, N.Y. 10005-3902
USA
Tel: 212-509-2000
Fax: 212-509-8708
Web site: www.girlsinc.org

Category requested: Special

Date established: 5 July 1945

Membership: The organization is a national organization with 92 organization members.

Summary of financial statement for fiscal year 1999 (United States dollars):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 360 000 |
| Contributions from Governments | 421 303 |
| Contracts | 1 000 000 |
| Other sources | 7 696 410 |
| Total | 9 477 713 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 795 326 |
| Projects | 4 414 592 |
| Other activities | 952 335 |
| Total | 6 162 253 |

Aims and activities of your organization

Girls Incorporated is a national youth development organization that is dedicated to inspiring all girls to be strong, smart and bold. The organization's vision is empowered girls and an equitable society. Girls Incorporated conducts research, public education and advocacy, and develops intentional and compensatory programmes for girls. Major programmes address math, science and technology education, pregnancy and drug abuse prevention, economic and media literacy, adolescent health, violence prevention and sports participation. The organization also directly advocates for girls, informing policy makers about girls' needs, locally and nationally, and encourages girls to advocate for themselves and their communities.

Anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The organization is very concerned with implementation of policies at all levels which affect the lives of girls and wants to be able to specifically monitor implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and other international measures for gender equity. Many of the discrimination issues that girls face are universal in scope. It would both help the organization to achieve its mission and inspire work being undertaken for and by girls in other countries if Girls Incorporated had more direct access to the work of the Council as it relates to the girl-child. As a recognized authority on girls and girls' issues in the United States and one that primarily serves girls from low-income areas, Girls Incorporated can bring its unique knowledge and perspective on United States girls to the Council. By increasing our own knowledge of issues girls face in the global community and different ways those issues are being addressed, Girls Incorporated can become a more effective advocate for girls and broaden its network of collaborators, in keeping with United Nations goals. To this end, Girls Inc. would send observers to the Council and its subcommittee meetings at which issues related to the status of the girl-child would be addressed and would, as appropriate, circulate or sign on to position papers related to girls and girls' issues.

## 11. LEADERSHIP FOR ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Address: 700 Broadway, Suite 300
New York, N.Y. 10003
United States of America

Category requested: General

Date established: 1 March 1993

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 12 member programmes and 952 associates and fellows from 50 countries within those member programmes.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

| | |
|---|---|
| Income | |
| Revenue from contracts, etc. | 6 171 726 |
| Other income | 424 169 |
| Total | 6 595 895 |
| Expenditure | |
| Administration | 880 974 |
| Projects | 5 320 659 |
| Other activities | - |
| Total | 6 201 633 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD) was created to help meet the need for a new type of global leadership - one that could create and implement policies that reflect the link between economic prosperity, a healthy environment and social equity. The goal of LEAD is to foster a global network of future decision makers with the knowledge, values and skills to develop national and international policies that emphasize the environmentally sustainable and socially equitable use of the earth's resources.

By way of a formal two-year training programme, LEAD builds knowledge of a variety of environment, development and leadership issues. Participants embark on an interactive course of study and skills formation that is designed to complement their professional commitments. Once they have successfully graduated from two-year programmes, they enter the LEAD Fellows Programme. Their activities continue through funding and opportunities for joint projects, conference participation and internships.

LEAD is a non-profit organization with 12 affiliated member programmes, inter alia, Brazil, Canada, China, Europe, India, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, and six countries in southern Africa. There are currently 952 LEAD associates and fellows.

Among the many key environment and development issues covered in LEAD training, the role of the intergovernmental system is one of the most important. LEAD has recently focused on this issue more closely in an international session titled The Changing Role of the Intergovernmental System: Sustainable Development in the 21st Century (11-22 April 1999), during which it attended the seventh session of the Commission on Sustainable Development. The 185 LEAD associates attended the tourism segment of the session and held an officially scheduled side event focused on sustainable tourism and the role of the Commission. This will also be the subject of future training.

A delegation of 25 LEAD fellows will be attending the World Science Conference being organized by UNESCO, among others, to be held in July 1999 in Budapest, where they are contributing a statement to the Conference. LEAD also participated in a recent initiative to provide feedback on non-governmental organization interaction in United Nations conferences.

LEAD is increasing its interface with the United Nations particularly in affairs related to the work of the Council. It would like to be able to be accredited to participate in sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development and other related bodies where it could contribute in an official manner. As an organization of leaders for environment and development, it could both make substantive contributions to discussions and act as a multiplier through its extensive network of associates and fellows around the world.

## 12. MEDITERRANEAN WOMEN'S FORUM

**Address**: Mediterranean Women's Forum
Corso Unitá d'Italia, 125
10137 Torino
Italy

**Category requested**: Special

**Date established**: 1995

**Membership**: The organization is an international organization, with 1,000 individual members and 30 organization members in 19 countries.

**Summary of financial statement for 1998** (Italian lira):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Contributions from Government | 79 000 000 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 11 214 310 |
| Other income | 15 000 000 |
| Total | 105 214 310 |

Expenditure

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| Administration | 16 458 280 |
| Projects | 88 756 030 |
| Total | 105 214 310 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The Mediterranean Women's Forum (MWF) supports the principles of the United Nations Charter, human rights declarations, the 1975 declaration on women's equal rights, and CEDAW.

Its aims are:

(a) To inform public opinion, national and international decision-making groups and the United Nations about Mediterranean women's problems;

(b) To preserve liberty and women's free speech and to establish them where they do not exist;

(c) To form a pressure group that helps to improve Mediterranean women's conditions;

(d) To spread information about the work of the Forum;

(e) To create an information network open to other persons and institutions that might be interested;

(f) To edit a newsletter about Mediterranean women's conditions;

(g) To implement a cooperation chart among universities, research centres etc. that will make possible the interchange of students, researchers and professors;

(h) To help in the publication of scientific and literary works by women;

(i) To study in depth different cultures, stressing their common inheritance, memory and heritage;

(j) To provide training in communication and responsible techniques in order to reinforce women's capacity for organization and for creating social movements;

(k) To collect and distribute information about existing data banks;

(l) To push forward the dialogue between women of all ages and community backgrounds in each country and region of the Mediterranean.

The Forum has organized several international meetings, seminars and conferences on issues regarding Mediterranean women. In preparation for the Fourth United Nations Conference on Women (Beijing, 1995), it collaborated with the National Italian Commission for UNESCO in organizing the international youth seminar, "The Mediterranean, a place to meet and to talk: Let the voice of today's youth be heard, starting with women". Every year the Forum holds an international literary contest featuring short stories by women writers on women's issues. It also organized the first Biennial of Mediterranean Creative Women, thereby allowing women to show their innovative qualities.

The Forum would benefit greatly from consultative status with the Council. It believes that the United Nations, and in particular the Council, is the ideal framework for an international non-governmental organization to develop its potential and to contribute to the growth of civil society and international cooperation. The Forum would contribute to the work of the Council by bringing to it a voice from the variegated and lively Mediterranean region, where cooperation and commitment to social issues are growing stronger and more successful day by day. The Forum was invited to the Beijing Conference (1995) and to the forty-third session of the Commission on the Status of Women (March 1999).

## 13. WALES ASSEMBLY OF WOMEN

Address: c/o 2 Little Orchard
2 Little Orchard
Dinas Powys
Vale of Glamorgan
CF 64 4NH
UK

Category requested: General

Date established: 1985

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 380 individual members and 17 organization members.

Summary of financial statement for 1997/98 (pounds sterling):

| | |
|---|---|
| Income | |
| Membership dues | 1 369.00 |
| Contributions from Governments | 7 960.00 |
| Other | 2 142.09 |
| Total | 11 471.09 |
| Expenditure | |
| Administration | 8 616.15 |
| Projects | 1 537.15 |
| Other activities | 15.00 |
| Total | 10 168.30 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

As well as preparing for the assessment of the Beijing Conference in 2000, we are planning a major event on women in poverty in Wales, in autumn 1999.

We held a conference in preparation for the Beijing Conference with a large attendance of women from all over Wales. Subsequently we made a full report on the Global Platform for Action and took a leading role in formulating the United Kingdom National Agenda for Action, especially in its reference to Wales. Decision-making has been a major issue for us, with plans for devolved government and the setting up of a national assembly in Wales. We organized a preparatory conference in October 1996, "Power Matters", followed by a major petition and large advertisement in our national press to lobby for support of gender balance in the proposed national assembly. We are pleased to have achieved some success ultimately with 23 women out of 60 members, some of whom have also been active members of the Wales Assembly of Women.

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We intend to continue to play an active role on contributing to debates, caucus meetings and governmental presentations in the interest of women everywhere, especially where the quality of their lives has been constrained and where the girl-child has been seriously disadvantaged.

## 14. COMMUNITY OF SANT'EGIDIO

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Category requested: general

Date established: 1968

Membership: the organization is an international organization, with 15,082 individual members and 104 organization members in 31 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1997 (United States dollars):

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 301 133.25 |
| Government | - |
| Intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Other non-governmental organizations | 2 310 615.80 |
| Contracts | 69 191.48 |
| Other sources | 45 461.76 |
| Total | 2 726 402.03 |

| Expenditure | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 126 368.58 |
| Projects | 1 031 803.15 |
| Other activities | 133 083.54 |
| Total | 1 291 255.27 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The Community of Sant'Egidio promotes human values of solidarity, mutual understanding, dialogue, peace and protection of human life, especially for the development of the weakest people. The Community of Sant'Egidio relates to the work of the Economic and Social Council mainly in social, cultural, educational, health-care and human right issues.

The Community of Sant'Egidio is a combination of differentiated entities: a grass-roots organization, a think tank, an advocacy group and an operative group specialized in diplomatic troubleshooting. All the members of the Community are strongly committed to the poor in the social life of the places where the Community is established. This care for the poorest people led the

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Community to be constantly concerned about the changing forms of poverty. The various services the Community is running today are a result of this concern and of this effort. As a whole, the Community organizes and runs initiatives in the field of assistance to the most needy parts of society, and important cooperation, development, and assistance projects in various parts of the world. Commitment areas are: children, street children, old people, homeless, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) patients, gypsies, the handicapped (mental and physical), refugees and immigrants.

Work for peace. There have been hundreds of initiatives for dialogue among cultures and religions: in the fields of study, cultural meetings and interchanges with highly authoritative persons. Many of these meetings have been supported by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

The Community of Sant'Egidio was the official mediator in the peace talks between the Government of Mozambique and the guerrilla movement Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO). The talks were held in Rome at the centre of the Community. At first they were secret and then became public with the participation of observers from other countries and of the United Nations. Other areas of cooperation with United Nations agencies include projects for Iraqi refugees (in cooperation with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)), programmes against malnutrition in Albania (in cooperation with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)), training of Albanian physical therapists (in collaboration with UNICEF), medical aid for Beira Hospital in Mozambique (in cooperation with the Joint United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (UNAIDS)).

As described, the areas of United Nations concern - particularly as related to social, cultural, educational, sanitary and human rights questions - in which the Community participated are large in number. The already wide and profitable cooperation could be more enhanced by the Community of Sant'Egidio participation, as an observer, at public meetings of the Council and its subsidiary bodies, as well as meetings of the commissions and other subsidiary organs of the Council.

## 15. INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

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Germany
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Category requested: Roster

Date established: 4 September 1984

Membership: The International Society for Human Rights (ISHR) is an international organization, with approximately 9,000 individual members and 3 organization members in 35 countries at present.

Financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

Income

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|---|---|
| Membership dues | 25 000.00 |
| Contributions from Governments | 5 000.00 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | 92 000.00 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Contracts | - |
| Other (donations in kind and cash) | 1 598 420.32 |
| Total | 1 720 420.32 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 310 000.00 |
| Projects | 800 000.00 |
| Other (publications, annual meetings) | 450 000.00 |
| Total | 1 559 934.45 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The International Society for Human Rights (ISHR) is a network of national organizations that bases its work primarily on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights proclaimed by the United Nations on 10 December 1948. Its objective is to promote and achieve universal respect for basic human rights.

ISHR works by giving support to the global non-violent human rights movement and by exposing and condemning human rights violations. ISHR provides basic help to victims of human rights violations including refugees, and victims of political, religious, ethnic or racist persecution, torture and war.

ISHR seeks to promote international understanding and tolerance in all areas of culture and society. It is a non-profit-making organization, independent of all political parties, Governments or religious groups.

ISHR believes that non-violent progress towards the realization of basic human rights and democracy is a key to addressing serious social problems and issues. If a society is free, solutions for social problems are much more likely to be found and implemented.

In the past years, ISHR has coordinated, supervised and/or implemented a number of projects designed to raise awareness on human rights and democracy issues, and to offer humanitarian help in specific areas to some of the less protected population groups. This includes a total of six projects, which have been carried out since 1994 with the financial support of the European Commission. ISHR is also actively involved in a number of humanitarian aid, legal and other assistance programmes in the Central and Eastern European States, newly independent States and Asian and African countries.

ISHR contributes to the work of the Commission on Human Rights by submitting reports about systematic and serious human rights violations. ISHR informs people about the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and all relevant international conventions, and the Commission on Human Rights and its functions. ISHR supplies the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) with information on refugees situation. ISHR is in consultative status with the Department of Public Information of the United Nations Secretariat.

At present, the International Secretariat, in close cooperation with CICC, is running an international campaign on the International Criminal Court together with its National Sections in Austria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Romania, the Russian Federation, Switzerland, Ukraine and Uzbekistan, which consists of photo exhibitions, seminars, leaflets and a forum on the Internet.

Several other projects are planned for 1999-2000, among them the project entitled "Training for Democracy in the Ukrainian Armed Forces", a project on civic education in Uzbekistan, a print shop of public benefit in Romania, a project to monitor the elections in the Russian Federation, a training programme for teachers in the Congo and a technical training school (radio, TV) for young people in Kenya, as well as human rights conferences in Belarus, Uzbekistan and Slovakia.

As ISHR is a network of, at present, 35 National Sections and National Groups worldwide, with a 15-year lasting history, numerous documentation, newsletters, reports, books and other information have been printed in many languages. Publications that appear on a regular basis may be described as follows:

(a) Human Rights Worldwide is published by the International Secretariat, four issues a year and distributed on the international level. The total number printed is between 5,000 and 10,000 copies;

(b) The German Section of ISHR (IGFM) publishes the magazine Menschenrechte, which appears four times a year, is printed in a run of 5,000 copies, and informs members and donors about projects and activities of IGFM; and an additional leaflet Für die Menschenrechte is distributed six times a year, with a print run of up to 80,000 copies;

(c) The French Section of ISHR (SIDH) publishes the bimonthly magazine Droit de Regard, which is also distributed by ISHR, Sections and Groups in French-speaking countries in Africa;

(d) The Australian Section of ISHR publishes the magazine Charter;

(e) The Russian Section of ISHR publishes the monthly newspaper Law and Protection.

Since 1999, the International Secretariat, in cooperation with its Sections also runs an English-language home page on the Internet which can be found under: www.ishr.org.

## 16. MARIE STOPES INTERNATIONAL

Address: 153-157 Cleveland Street
London W1P 5PG
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Category requested: special

Date established: 16 March 1973

Membership: the organization is an international organization, with 32 organizational members in 31 countries.

Summary of financial statement for year 1998 (pounds):

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | - |
| Governments | 3 592 |
| Intergovernmental organizations | 3 032 |
| Other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Contracts | - |
| Other sources (fees, interest and donations) | 16 402 |
| Total | |
| Administration (management and fund-raising) | 2 281 |
| Projects (direct charitable) | 18 831 |
| Total | 21 112 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

Marie Stopes International (MSI) implements programmes in accordance with the principles of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development in 31 countries worldwide. In 1998, more than 1.5 million women and their families benefited from MSI's services.

Marie Stopes International's mission is to enable people to have children by choice, not by chance. Through our activities we aim to empower individuals to exercise their fundamental human right to plan their families and to enjoy good reproductive health. MSI aims to provide client-orientated programmes; high-quality counselling; and affordable, appropriate services and sustainable, enduring, locally managed organizations

MSI employs a wide range of activities to achieve its organizational aims. MSI offers clinic-based delivery, satellite and mobile units and central, static clinics, community-based delivery and distribution, information, education and communication (IEC), family life education, adolescent projects, male awareness and reproductive tract infection/sexually transmitted disease/human

immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (RTI/STD/HIV/AIDS) awareness, prevention and management, and contraceptive social marketing.

Complementary activities include: marketing and promotion; policy development and advocacy; coalition-building, parliamentary liaison, publications, media and public relations; resource mobilization; and development education and consultancy. MSI also has a refugee and internally displaced persons (IDPs) advocacy strategy.

The MSI philosophy embraces the agenda of the International Conference on Population and Development. MSI collaborates extensively with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in:

- Adolescent programmes in Malawi, Zimbabwe, Viet Nam, Haiti, Nepal, Pakistan and Bolivia;
- Reproductive health care programme in China;
- Reproductive and sexual health in Lebanon, Cambodia, Mongolia;
- Technical assistance to the Ministry of Public Health in Yemen;
- Male awareness in the Philippines;
- Face-to-face, a European-wide advocacy campaign, including the 6 Billion and One competition;
- Organization of World Population Day in the United Kingdom and European Parliaments;
- Launching The State of World Population report in the European Parliament;
- Advocacy initiatives in the South;
- Member of European Non-Governmental Organizations for sexual and reproductive health and rights, population and development (EuroNGO);
- Member of the Inter-Agency Working Group on Reproductive Health in Refugee Situations and founder member of the Reproductive Health for Refugees Consortium.

MSI participated in the Cairo process and is also participating in the Cairo five-year review process. Representatives have attended round tables; the Hague Forum; and the preparatory conferences. The Partnership will also be represented at the forthcoming special session of the General Assembly for a review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development.

MSI is set to increase its programme of activities in pursuit of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and is committed to working with adolescents. If granted status,

MSI will undertake to ensure that The Partnership is fully involved in all activities related to consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. MSI has an intranet (organizational web site) on which will be posted all information on Council activities. Senior executives will be encouraged to attend meetings as observers and make oral statements where appropriate.

17. MiRA RESOURCE CENTRE FOR BLACK, IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE WOMEN

Address: PO Box 1749 Vika
0121 Oslo, Norway

Category requested: General

Date established: 20 February 1995

Membership: the organization is a national organization, with 500 individual members and 50 organization members.

Summary of financial statement for year 1998 (Norwegian kroner):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | - |
| Contributions from Governments | 750 000.00 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | 125 000.00 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 40 000.00 |
| Revenue from other contracts | - |
| Other income (own production and sale) | 33 752.14 |
| Total | 923 752.14 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 921 652.24 |
| Projects | - |
| Other activities | - |
| Total | 921 652.24 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The MiRA Resource Centre for Black, Immigrant and Refugee Women is a non-governmental organization for ethnic minority women living in Norway.

The aims and general purpose of the organization are as follows:

(a) The MiRA Resource Centre for Black, Immigrant and Refugee Women aims to be a resource and competence centre for questions regarding minority women;

(b) The MiRA Centre aims to strengthen the legal position and equality of minority women in Norwegian society. It also aims to strengthen the self-organization of immigrant women;

(c) Through counselling, information and cooperation, the MiRA Centre aims to contribute to the majority society's increased awareness and understanding of the immigrant woman's position and role in the new country;

(d) The MiRA Centre aims to promote the culture of and solidarity with black, immigrant and refugee women.

The various activities of the MiRA Centre:

- The MiRA Centre organizes activities and events for black, immigrant and refugee women in order to present their talents in art forms such as dance, literature, visual arts, music and theatre;

- We do extensive networking to strengthen black women's position, and presenting them to society on their own terms;

- We provide legal assistance and counselling to the individual woman;

- We present to the majority society information in regard to the situation of minority women in Norway;

- The MiRA Centre organizes different activities and courses in, for example, health care, leadership, language improvement and art;

- We arrange seminars and conferences on relevant issues;

- We also participate in public debates, conferences and other activities that influence policy-making in Norway;

- We contribute to and cooperate with various government bodies to improve the situation for ethnic minority women in Norway.

We would very much like to contribute to the work of the Economic and Social Council by participating in meetings and conferences, and by giving written inputs as requested, as well as by cooperating with the Council on important topics related to gender and minority issues.

## 18. FÉDÉRATION EUROPÉENNE D'ASSOCIATIONS NATIONALES TRAVAILLANT AVEC LES SANS-ABRI

Address: 1, rue Defacqz
1000 Brussels
Belgium

Category requested: Special

Date established: 10 January 1989

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 2 individual members and 65 organizational members in 19 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1 March 1998-31 May 1999 (euros):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 9 900 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | 546 300 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 35 000 |
| Other | 71 200 |
| Total | 662 400 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 343 000 |
| Projects | 83 000 |
| Other | 190 000 |
| Total | 616 000 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The objective of Fédération européenne d'associations nationales travaillant avec les sans-abri (FEANTSA) is to coordinate the national organizations working with the homeless in order to help and support them in their struggle to combat homelessness. FEANTSA's long-term objective is to reduce and eliminate homelessness in Europe.

In order to achieve these aims, FEANTSA is engaged in networking, partnerships, research, and communication. It promotes and supports the work of non-governmental organizations that provide services to meet the needs of the homeless people; encourages cooperation between non-governmental organizations and public authorities at local, regional, national and European levels, in order to develop an integrated framework of housing and social services to low-income groups; engages in dialogue with European institutions and with national Governments in order to promote effective measures to tackle the causes of homelessness and to facilitate access to decent and affordable housing; raises

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public awareness about the situation of homeless people and of the need to recognize the right to decent and affordable housing for all; organizes research on issues related to homelessness through the European Observatory on Homelessness; and cooperates with other non-governmental organizations and political bodies active in the housing sector.

FEANTSA would participate in the work of the Council in the following ways:

It would like to join the efforts to eradicate poverty, extending its already existing involvement in the fight of the United Nations against homelessness, bad housing conditions and social exclusion. It would like to offer its expertise on issues concerning homelessness and social exclusion to the Council.

FEANTSA would put its expertise on homelessness in European countries at the service of a wider debate and exchange information on the subject with non-governmental organizations involved in other countries, in order to develop better preventive and alleviative policies.

FEANTSA would like, besides participating in the seventeenth session of UNCHS, to contribute to the United Nations efforts to help women, vulnerable groups and the poor to have access to housing resources. FEANTSA is already helping to prepare the "Global report on human settlements 2001: the state of housing and homelessness".

Besides this, FEANTSA is very interested in lobbying actions to rebalance economic and social development throughout the world.

## 19. FAYETTE COMPANIES

Address: 600 Fayette Street
P.O. Box 1346
Peoria, IL 61654-1346
United States of America

Category requested: Special

Date established: 25 June 1982

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 350 individual members.

Summary of financial statement for year ending 30 June 1998 (United States dollars):

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|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Contributions from Governments | 7 636 343 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 161 248 |
| Revenue from contracts, etc. | 1 970 893 |
| Other | 1 224 978 |
| Total | 10 993 462 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 2 127 550 |
| Projects | 7 257 128 |
| Total | 9 384 678 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Fayette Companies provides management, supervisory and consultation services for the development and provision of drug and alcohol and mental health treatment and prevention services. Fayette Companies has acquired both specialized skills and recognition for its innovative approaches to addressing chronic illnesses specifically related to mental illness and alcohol and drug abuse, with subspecialties for addicted women and addicted pregnant women and infants. Its major subsidiaries are the Human Service Center (psychiatric services) and White Oaks Companies of Illinois (drug and alcohol services). Over 150 professionals, ranging from psychiatrists and psychologists to master's and bachelor's-level therapists, from a variety of behavioural health disciplines, each month provide a continuum of services to more than 900 active patients who are chronic mentally ill, in both residential (47 beds) and outpatient settings. They also work with individuals on prevention, treatment and recovery from substance abuse/dependency, again both in residential (30 beds

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for men, 60 beds for women, pregnant, or postpartum women and infants) and outpatient facilities.

Fayette Companies intends to participate in the work of the Council by providing consultation and contributions to drug and alcohol prevention and treatment programmes and to services designed for the chronic mentally ill.

## 20. IN HONOR OF MANDELA FUND

Address: Suite 1016
166 West 75th Street
New York, NY 10023
United States of America

Category requested: Special

Date established: 9 March 1995

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 8 individual members in 1 country.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (United States dollars):

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|---|---|
| Income | |
| Other: donated expertise, gifts | 136 800 |
| Total | 136 800 |
| Expenditure | |
| Administration | 20 600 |
| Other | 9 200 |
| Total | 29 800 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The mission of In Honor of Mandela Fund (IHMF) is to provide a realistic and tangible means out of poverty and despair - which consists of education, adult basic literacy workshops, a national free books donation programme and provision of basic health care and hygiene. By offering these four programmes, IHMF recognizes the technological growth, the global competitiveness and addresses employment needs, as a means of outlining the challenges and ways forward in the twenty-first century. By stressing that education, training and job preparation will play a key and vital role in transforming South Africa's economic and social growth, IHMF will ultimately contribute to increasing the level of living and personal human development for all South Africans.

IHMF is meeting some of the fundamental needs of and strengthening South Africa's historically disadvantaged poorest of poor people. It is targeting the serious and tremendous gap in the literacy and education sector. Starting with the Fund's beginnings in March of 1995, it believes that through education, discipline, nurturing, intense skill-building and consistency, children can be protected from succumbing to what seems to be a predestined existence in misery such as drug addiction, alcoholism, teenage pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, life on the

streets, crime and violence. These concerns have always been in the forefront of our mission.

IHMF would participate fully in the work of the Council and its subsidiary bodies by attending conferences and United Nations meetings that pertain specifically to components of its programmes and in the areas of its expertise, relating to such topics as HIV/AIDS awareness, schools in Africa, women and children, education, environmental issues, technology, science, health, agriculture, and political, economic and social issues in Africa. It would hope to offer oral and written statements in those meetings and conferences which would be useful and informative to other non-governmental organizations.

## 21. MANDAT INTERNATIONAL

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Switzerland
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E-mail address: admin@mandint.org
Web site: http://www.mandint.org

Category requested: General

Date established: 21 September 1995

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 51 individual members in 16 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1997 (Swiss francs):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership and affiliation dues | 250 |
| Contributions from Governments | 100 000 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 122 000 |
| Other income | 57 878 |
| Total | 280 128 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 54 |
| Projects | 272 629 |
| Other activities | - |
| Total | 272 683 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Mandat International is a Geneva-based non-governmental organization whose objective is to support the participation of non-governmental delegations in international conferences and to promote links between the different activities taking place at the international level. Mandat International helps in this way to increase the participation of delegations from the least developed countries and countries with economies in transition. In so doing, it seeks to promote the democratization of international forums and the participation of civil society in their debates. It provides support mainly for delegations with limited resources, particularly those from the least developed countries.

This objective is perfectly consistent with the spirit of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 and in particular with those paragraphs of the

resolution which provide that greater participation of non-governmental organizations from developing countries and from countries with economies in transition in international conferences convened by the United Nations should be encouraged. The value of this approach has been recognized by non-governmental organizations, national authorities and international organizations.

The membership of Mandat International also constitutes a network that promotes cooperation between actors on the international scene as well as the development of synergies to enhance the effectiveness of the work done at, inter alia, the various United Nations forums.

Mandat International also assists and supports delegations through its knowledge and experience in the fields of international affairs, human rights, public international law, the environment and sustainable development.

Mandat International is of the view that the advice and support which it provides to the delegates of developing countries and countries in transition will enhance the contribution of non-governmental organizations to the Council's work. The information and support it provides will also help to reduce the costs of the United Nations and maximize the stay of delegates in terms of work accomplished.

Mandat International also intends to promote the work of the different organs of the Council through its studies and tools designed to encourage cooperation between the different actors on the international scene.

The granting of general consultative status will enable Mandat International to better contribute to and support the work done at the United Nations.

## 22. MONITOR INTERNATIONAL

Address: 300 State Street
Annapolis, MD 21403
United States of America

Category requested: General

Date established: 1978

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 621 individual members and organization members in 27 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

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| **Income** | |
| Contributions from Governments | 23 194 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 15 563 |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | 20 318 |
| Other income: contributions | 320 |
| Total | 59 395 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 4 067 |
| Projects | 54 034 |
| Total | 58 101 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The mission of Monitor International is to conserve biological diversity and cultural heritage and to promote environmentally sustainable development of marine and freshwater ecosystems throughout the world.

Monitor International strives to achieve its mission primarily through the creation and management of networks composed of governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations and businesses. Examples of these networks are the Wider Caribbean Environmental Network (WCEN) and LakeNet, a global network of individuals and organizations responsible for the conservation and management of lakes. To supplement the work of networks, Monitor International creates and disseminates educational materials, especially "success stories"; conducts exchange programmes; provides technical assistance; and hosts a major World Wide Website, www.monitorinternational.org. In its efforts to build bridges between science and public policy, Monitor International sponsors applied scientific research on habitat conservation and participates actively in scientific and United Nations conferences.

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During the two decades from 1978 to 1998, Monitor International's work focused on two areas: the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and UNEP's Caribbean Environment Programme. Senior staff of Monitor International participated in the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in Rio de Janeiro in 1992 and attended the Conference of the Parties to the Convention at its second and third meetings. Senior staff have also participated in a great many Caribbean Environment Programme meetings, including the negotiations leading to the signing of the Cartagena Convention Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife (SPAW) and subsequent meetings of the Interim Scientific, Technical and Advisory Committee (ISTAC).

In 1998 and 1999, Monitor International broadened its participation in the work of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, particularly with regards to the Commission on Sustainable Development. Senior staff observed a substantial portion of the seventh session of the Commission in April 1999 and participated in many of the non-governmental organization consultations concerning both oceans and fresh water.

For many years, Monitor International has maintained ongoing communication with three of the regional commissions of the Council - ECA, ECLAC and ESCAP. These channels of communication have been strengthened during the past year.

The primary reason why Monitor International is applying for consultative status with the Council is in order to participate more effectively in the work of the Commission on Sustainable Development. If granted status, it will participate actively in forthcoming sessions, the themes and economic sectors of which are of central concern to its ongoing mission.

## 23. WOMEN'S HEALTH IN WOMEN'S HANDS

Address: 2 Carlton Street, Suite #500
Toronto, Ontario M5B 1J3
Canada

Category requested: Special

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 350 individual members and 25 organizational members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998/99 (Canadian dollars):

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|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Contributions from Governments | 1 875 382 |
| Other | 13 853 |
| Total | 1 889 235 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 1 753 920 |
| Projects | 25 971 |
| Other activities | 82 229 |
| Total | 1 862 120 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Women's Health in Women's Hands provides community mental and clinical health promotion support from an inclusive feminist, pro-choice, anti-racist, anti-oppressive and multilingual participatory framework to immigrant/refugee women; women with disabilities; young women and girls; and older women. Women's Health in Women's Hands has participated locally, nationally and internationally in several forums related to improving the status of women and their human rights. While our specific focus is on women's health, we see the issues and the determinants of health affecting women's health on a wider scale than the medical model. Our participation will focus on maintaining the critical areas of concern identified in the Beijing Platform for Action through attendance at national meetings and international forums. We will do participatory research and offer alternatives to assist with the implementation of the Platform for Action as it affects the priority populations served by Women's Health in Women's Hands.

Those priority populations have different needs and unequal access to basic health-care resources. Some of the inequalities stem from the fact that the priority populations are disadvantaged because of race, class, sexual orientation, disability, age, immigrant/migrant status etc. Our continuing work

will address the needs for promotion, prevention, protection, treatment (alternative treatments as necessary), and maintenance of women's health.

We plan to collaborate with other feminist organizations to identify gaps, lobby Governments, network with other groups in Canada and internationally; and attend regional, European, Latin American/Caribbean meetings and the General Assembly special session entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century", in June 2000.

Our issues relating to the critical areas of health and our strong affiliation with and membership in the National Action Committee on the Status of Women in Canada will be strengthened so as to assist us in developing strategic directions for more millennium activities.

## 1. GREEK COUNCIL FOR REFUGEES

Address: 25, Solomou Str., Exarhia
106 82 Athens
Greece

Category requested: Special

Date established: 21 January 1989

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 54 individual members.

Summary of financial statement for year 1999 (Greek drachmas)

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 146 000 |
| Contributions from Governments | 82 505 000 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | 495 556 183 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | |
| Other income | |
| Donations | 3 565 943 |
| Interest | 1 984 852 |
| Foreign exchange fluctuation | 808 747 |
| Total | 584 566 725 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 114 166 261 |
| Projects | 466 590 831 |
| Net surplus for 1999 | 3 809 633 |
| Total | 584 566 725 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The Greek Council for Refugees (GCR) is a non-profit philanthropic organization established in 1989. Operating in accordance with the letter and spirit of the Charter of the United Nations, the 1951 Convention and the 1967 Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and particularly article 14 thereof, and the relevant provisions of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action.

Its main aim is the legal protection, improvement of the social and economic condition of refugees and asylum-seekers in Greece and the local integration of those who receive asylum.

It is the operational partner and implements the programme of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) as it concerns Greece, a programme that consists primarily in the funding of direct legal and socio-economic benefits to asylum-seekers and refugees. Furthermore, under grants from the European Union, it carries out a variety of specific programmes such as housing, training and job placement, colloquiums, comparative European-wide research to establish best practices in the local integration of refugees, intercultural centres, legal and interpretation services at points of entry, public awareness activities etc.

Through participation in a project of the Greek Ministry of Labour, it provides consultative services to seven technical training institutes whose goals include the training of refugees in jobs of high demand in the Greek labour market.

Finally, through advocacy and public relations efforts it: (a) promotes measures that benefit asylum-seekers and refugees within the framework of social welfare of refugees, human rights and humanitarian law; (b) endeavours to raise consciousness and keep Greek public opinion accurately informed about the needs of refugees in Greece while highlighting the global refugee pictures.

Should special consultative status be granted it, the Greek Council for Refugees intends to participate actively in Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations deliberations as appropriate, advocate and provide the Economic and Social Council or its subsidiary bodies with assistance in its area of expertise at the request of the Council or on its own initiative. Specifically under the provisions of part IV of Council resolution 1996/31, GCR intends to review very carefully the provisional agendas of the Council communicated to it under paragraph 27 of that resolution; attend public meetings of the Council (para. 29); submit written statements on subjects in which it has special competence; and, as appropriate, make oral presentations under the provisions of paragraph 32 (a) of the resolution.

## 25. INTERNATIONAL FAMILY HEALTH

Address: Parchment House
13 Northburgh Street
London EC1V 0JP
United Kingdom

Category requested: General

Date established: 30 May 1991

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with individual membership restricted to Board members only, and no organization members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | - |
| Contributions from Governments | 1 719 011 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 287 354 |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income (investment income) | 62 675 |
| Total | 2 069 040 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 105 113 |
| Projects | 572 317 |
| Other activities (sexual health consultancy) | 1 075 317 |
| Total | 1 752 747 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

International Family Health (IFH) is a non-profit development agency registered in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland with the goal of improving the sexual and reproductive health of people in resource-poor settings.

The agency has a sound technical knowledge of sexual and reproductive health issues and has worked with various donor agencies including the British Government's Department for International Development (DFID), the European Commission's AIDS Task Force, Kreditanstalt fur Wiederaufbau (German Bank for Reconstruction) and the Japan International Cooperation Agency.

IFH has managed projects and research in more than 20 developing countries, and collaborates closely with the major agencies working in human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS), family

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planning, sexually transmitted diseases, and other aspects of sexual and reproductive health.

The organization's staff and consultants have particular expertise in the field of prevention of sexually transmitted infections, including HIV/AIDS, and the management of their related illnesses.

IFH activities are effected through its Consultancy and Programming Divisions.

The Consultancy Division provides advice and inputs on policy, strategy, project design and other technical matters to Governments, and intergovernmental and private agencies involved in financing or implementing sexual and reproductive health interventions through short- and long-term assignment contracts. To date, the Consultancy Division has carried out 150 assignments, representing a total of more than 3,500 consultancy days. Since 1995, IFH Consultancy has held the contract from DFID to be its Resource Centre, providing technical assistance on sexual health issues in developing countries, and is currently managing long-term projects in South Africa and the Russian Federation under contracts from DFID.

The Programming Division provides support to partner organizations in implementing innovative projects that integrate sexual and reproductive health care. In the past two years, IFH has strengthened particular programmatic themes: integration of sexual and reproductive health programming, testing innovative large-scale models, and establishing knowledge-sharing networks both within countries and between African and Asian countries. IFH presently has partners in the Gambia, India, Nepal, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Kenya, Sri Lanka and the Russian Federation.

IFH also researches and publishes technical papers and reports for dissemination to key decision makers.

IFH intends to participate in the work of the Economic and Social Council by working together with other reproductive health organizations, collaborating, participating in meetings and consultations.

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## 26. INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S RIGHTS ACTION WATCH

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54000 Kuala Lumpur
Malaysia

Tel: 603 291 3232
Fax: 603 298 4203
E-mail: iwraw@po.jaring.my

Category requested: General

Date established: 5 March 1996

Membership: The organization is an international organization with no individual members and collaborative partnership with 48 organizations in 14 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1 January-31 December 1998 (ringgit):

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | - |
| Governments | 404 300.76 |
| Intergovernmental organizations | 553 133.87 |
| Other non-governmental organizations | 1 592 857.48 |
| Contracts | - |
| Other sources (consultancy fees) | 31 673.76 |
| Total | 2 581 965.87 |

| Expenditure | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 136 103.00 |
| Projects | 1 674 956.00 |
| Other activities | - |
| Total | 1 811 059.00 |

The unexpended amounts as at the end of the year are carried forward as deferred income for matching against related expenditure in the following year. Part of the balance was also due to some grants that had been received to be expended over a two-year period.

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The entire programme of International Women's Rights Action Watch (IWRAW) is relevant to the work of the Economic and Social Council. It facilitates the contribution of Asian women to the process of creating new norms and standard-setting in the area of women's human rights, organized by the United Nations.

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and then focuses on the application of these standards at the domestic level. The key focus of IWRAW is to monitor and facilitate the implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

Since 1996, IWRAW has facilitated the participation of women from Asia in all the sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women and contributed to the assessment of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action. It has disseminated to its partner organizations in Asia relevant documents pertaining to the sessions of the Commission, sessions of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, the Optional Protocol to the Convention, the International Criminal Court etc.

Since 1996, it has also been a very active participant in the Open-ended Working Group on the Elaboration of a Draft Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women which drafted the Optional Protocol to the Convention which was completed in March 1999.

It also works globally because it facilitates the participation of women from reporting countries all over the world, in the review by the United Nations of their Governments' performance as States parties to the Convention. This is an annual event.

IWRAW promotes understanding of a rights approach in the pursuit of women's equality and facilitation of the use of the Convention, other human rights instruments and constitutional guarantees. The organization also promotes awareness of the need to address violations of women's human rights through the use of human rights standards and procedures and of applicable constitutional guarantees. It does this through dissemination of information, conferences and workshops for lawyers, judges, human rights organizations and women's groups.

Rights guaranteed by international treaties and constitutions must be actively claimed by women. This requires the mobilization of different constituencies and sustained advocacy with the State. Recognizing the need to mobilize women at the national and regional levels to work with their Governments to eliminate discrimination against women, IWRAW undertakes capacity-building for women's groups and for Governments.

It has a collaborative programme in 14 countries of Asia and the Pacific to monitor the fulfilment by States as States parties to the Convention of their obligation to foster women's equality. IWRAW is the only regional organization that works exclusively on building capacity to facilitate and monitor the implementation of the Convention.

IWRAW is not a membership organization, as the organizations with whom it works are not affiliated to IWRAW. It has worked with numerous women's organizations in various ways on a long-term basis. There are at least 34 partner organizations in 12 countries of Asia with whom a collaborative relationship is established. This relationship requires working collectively on a long-term basis on a project that links local activism with international advocacy and it involves collective planning, setting standards, monitoring of implementation, assessing capacity-building needs, fund-raising and evaluation.

The project is called "Facilitating the Fulfilment of State Obligation to Women's Equality". This project is implemented as two regional projects for South and South-East Asia.

## 27. JUBILEE CAMPAIGN

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**Category requested**: Special

**Date established**: 1993 (United Kingdom); 30 May 1991 (United States)

**Membership**: The organization is an international organization, with 4 individual members and 6 organization members in 9 countries.

**Summary of financial statement for 1998** (pounds):

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | - |
| Contributions from Governments | - |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income (voluntary donations from the public) | 84 354 |
| Total | 84 354 |

| Expenditure | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 34 412 |
| Projects | 49 855 |
| Other activities | - |
| Net operating surplus | 3 087 |
| Total | 84 354 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

Generally, Jubilee Campaign purposes to research and investigate reported allegations of the abuse of human rights worldwide and to publish and act upon the results of such research and investigation, inter alia, by providing a forum for the formation and exchange of views on all questions connected with allegations of human rights abuse focusing on abuse of children and religious liberty.

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Jubilee Campaign's purposes and activities encompass two areas of competency within the field of human rights. These are: religious freedom and children's rights. Within our areas of competency, Jubilee Campaign seeks to report violations of human rights, implement educational programmes, publish and circulate reliable statistics and data, and distribute reports and resolutions published by the Commission on Human Rights to our affiliates and to groups within which we maintain membership. We purpose to network with other non-governmental organizations, present accurate testimony, make recommendations, facilitate implementation of recommendations of the United Nations commissions, and otherwise within our spheres of influence support the programmes and objectives of the United Nations declarations and covenants.

Jubilee Campaign maintains member affiliates and contacts within countries to which we communicate United Nations resolutions, declarations, programmes, covenants, reports, and other informational resources. We also make fact-finding missions and distribute as widely as possible to the general public and Governments detailed reports and briefing papers that implement United Nations resolutions and principles. We coordinate activities within a number of countries with the objective of seeking to implement United Nations reports and resolutions as these relate to religious liberty, minority rights and children's rights. Jubilee Campaign regularly seeks to meet with governmental leaders and has facilitated parliamentary briefings and hearings on the violation of religious liberty, and to stop the killing of street children, and to prevent the sexual exploitation of children, and has raised awareness of other human rights issues. Finally, since 1990 Jubilee Campaign has annually spoken at the Commission on Human Rights through the International Association for the Advancement of Religious Liberty. Speeches and reports within our areas of competence were presented to Commission delegates.

Jubilee Campaign remains committed to actively expanding the scope of our membership body in order to fulfil the United Nations agenda as these relate to our areas of competency. If granted consultative status, we would enable members of our membership body to assume greater participation in the United Nations context, particularly as it relates to education. We would seek to organize workshops and develop brochures to inform, educate and inspire the public to empathize with and take action implementing United Nations recommendations within our areas of competence.

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## 28. THERAPY CENTRE FOR DEPENDENT INDIVIDUALS

Address: 24 Sorvolou Str.
116 36 Athens, Greece

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Fax: 301-9241 986
E-mail: admin@kethea.gr

Category requested: Special

Date established: 7 August 1987

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 14 organization members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | - |
| Contributions from Governments | 5 432 500 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations (European Union projects) | 314 900 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income | |
| Private donations | 747 400 |
| Productive units sales | 2 377 200 |
| Sundry | 114 200 |
| Total | 8 986 200 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 543 000 |
| Projects | 8 900 000 |
| Other activities (education, research, public relations activities) | 332 000 |
| Total | 9 775 000 |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The Therapy Centre for Dependent Individuals (KETHEA) is the largest non-governmental organization in Greece in the field of drug abuse treatment and prevention. Aiming to reduce the prevalence of substance abuse, KETHEA runs drug-free multi-phased treatment programmes for drug addicts and their families in various parts of Greece.

KETHEA systematically plans and implements long-term prevention programmes in various schools as well as within the community. It also organizes numerous

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activities in the fields of research and education in collaboration with international organizations (the Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Addiction (TACADE), the European Federation of Therapeutic Communities (EFTC), the World Federation of Therapeutic Communities (WFTC), the Addiction Technology Transfer Center (ATTC)) etc. and the Regional Alcohol and Drug Awareness Resource (RADAR) Network. Throughout the years, KETHEA has supported the establishment of other treatment and prevention centres in Greece and abroad by transferring its knowledge, experience and know-how.

United Nations and KETHEA share common opinions and beliefs as far as various aspects of the world drug problem are concerned (such as the legalization debate). The Association of KETHEA with the Economic and Social Council will help KETHEA promote these common principles more effectively. For this purpose, KETHEA is willing to devote part of its information campaigns to the promotion of knowledge of United Nations principles and activities through its newsletters, backgrounders, pamphlets, conferences, seminars, press releases etc. and to enhance its collaboration with the United Nations Information Centre (UNIC), Athens.

Finally, KETHEA is willing to fulfil all the obligations involving the attendance of its representatives at public meetings of the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies, as well as the submission of written statements relevant to the work of the Council on drug abuse treatment and prevention, in which area KETHEA has a special competence.

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## 29. NATIONAL BOARD OF CATHOLIC WOMEN OF ENGLAND AND WALES

**Address**: The White House
12 Worsall Road
Yarm
Cleveland TS15 9DF
England
United Kingdom

**Category requested**: Special

**Date established**: 1938

**Membership**: The organization is a national organization, with three individual members, and 54 organization members.

**Summary of financial statement for 1999** (pounds):

**Income**

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 2 562.50 |
| Contributions from Governments | - |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 6 000.00 |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | - |
| Other income | |
| Conference/meeting receipts | 3 596.58 |
| Bank interest | 373.02 |
| Donations from members | 1 212.94 |
| Publications | 1 424.88 |
| Total | 15 169.92 |

**Expenditure**

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|---|---|
| Administration | 1 509.36 |
| Projects | - |
| Other expenditure | - |
| Conferences/meetings | 4 467.70 |
| Insurance/tax | 231.52 |
| Provision for future activities | 3 000.00 |
| Subscriptions to other bodies | 316.34 |
| Travel/subsistence | 4 470.89 |
| Total | 13 995.81 |

**Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council**

The National Board of Catholic Women of England and Wales is a forum in which the Catholic women of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern

Ireland (England and Wales) express their hopes and concerns and convey these to the Catholic Church, the Government of the United Kingdom and other official organizations dealing with matters of public interest approved by the Board in session.

The Board represents Catholic women in the United Kingdom in both national and international arenas.

The Board's activities include:

- Conferences and study days;
- The work of standing committees;
- Publications;
- Reports;
- Responses to Government, international and Church consultations;
- The Board's own consultative process.

Participation in the work of the Council would include:

- Participation in the preparation for the Commission on the Status of Women and the five-year review and appraisal of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action (twenty-third special session of the General Assembly);
- Meetings of the Board at national level;
- Negotiation with the Women's National Commission;
- International activity through links with the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations;
- Attendance at sessions of preparatory committees, the Commission on the Status of Women and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women;
- Influencing the United Kingdom and the European Union position;
- Disseminating information about the Commission on the Status of Women, the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the United Nations to member organizations of the Board.

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## 30. RUSSIAN PUBLIC MOVEMENT "FOR CIVIL RIGHTS"

Address: 10 Novaya Ploschad, 5th floor
103012, Moscow, Russian Federation

Category requested: Special

Date established: 11 April 1997

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 134 individual members.

Summary of financial statement for 1 January-31 December 1998

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | - |
| Government | - |
| Intergovernmental organizations | - |
| Other non-governmental organizations | - |
| Contracts | - |
| Other sources | - |
| Total | - |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | - |
| Projects | - |
| Other activities | - |
| Total | - |

Aims and activities and participation in the work of the Council

The Russian Public Movement "For Civil Rights" shows a zero-sum balance because it has operated in conjunction with, and under the auspices of, another Russian Federation non-governmental organization, the Institute for Regional Development, to carry out joint projects for the past two years. Ms. Tatyana Ermina, founder of the Institute for Regional Development, has recently been appointed Vice-President of the Russian Public Movement "For Civil Rights" and all future funding will go directly to this organization.

The Russian Public Movement "For Civil Rights" was founded in 1997 in support of the principles and aims of Article 55 (Chapter IX) of the Charter of the United Nations with a view to promoting solutions that enable citizens of the Russian Federation to achieve economic and social progress and development; universal respect for, and observance of, the principles of human rights; fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion; and international educational cooperation.

In this respect, the organization carries out educational and informational activities aimed at encouraging political activism and economic activity that promote the development and expansion of democracy, increase the framework for economic, civil and human rights and values, and protect the rights of all citizens in ways that give practical application to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

It accomplishes this by:

(a) Supporting non-partisan political activity to promote federalism, democracy and the rule of law; monitoring legislative initiatives (including social security reform); and encouraging political activism and economic activity through the use of educational programmes and materials;

(b) Cooperating with pertinent State agencies, and legal and individual experts in accordance with its statutory aims and goals;

(c) Organizing and participating in conferences and educational activities that foster intercultural understanding, support educational reform and combat social exclusion for minorities and disadvantaged groups;

(d) Using the media to advocate the protection of the civil, economic, education and human rights of the elderly, abused children, ethnic minorities and women;

(e) Carrying out in-depth research studies including specific aspects of pension issues and their impact on women in the Russian Federation;

(f) Collaborating with other organizations working in the same or similar fields.

If accredited to the Economic and Social Council, the Russian Public Movement "For Civil Rights" will develop programmes to address gender-based violence, and actively participate in United Nations-sponsored conferences and programmes to promote democracy and defend the economic, civil and human rights of the elderly, ethnic minorities, women and children. The organization will also expand its information-sharing activities to encompass relevant sections of the United Nations Secretariat and will offer its expertise to the Commission on Human Rights as well as the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE). In addition, the organization will also monitor implementation by the Russian Federation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the Beijing Platform for Action.

## 31. ALLIANCE MUSULMANE D'ANGOLA

Address: Bairro Palanca, Zona 12, Rua 113, No. 16
C.P. 5434
Luanda
Angola

Category requested: Special

Date established: 25 November 1993

Membership: The organization is a national organization with 420 individual members.

Summary of financial statement (United States dollars):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 1 650 |
| Other income | 42 100 |
| Total | 43 750 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 1 000 |
| Projects | 25 000 |
| Other activities | 10 000 |
| Total | 36 000 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The objective of ALMUA is to combat the poverty, destitution and intellectual, economic and social deprivation of the Angolan people; offer guidance to and train youth in various areas of social, professional, technical, cultural, athletic and recreational life; provide assistance to the needy; build mosques, rehabilitation centres for the disabled, orphanages, medical centres and children's schools; and defend human, particularly children's, rights.

### Activities of ALMUA

ALMUA is involved in the establishment of centres, cooperatives and vocational training schools and also carries out activities in the areas of agriculture; general and cultural education; water purification; literacy; and humanitarian and health assistance.

Anticipated participation in the work of the Council

ALMUA would provide strong support to the Council by providing human rights activists in Angola; supporting all the recommendations, projects and conclusions emanating from United Nations meetings; and pledging to support the work of the United Nations and to disseminate its principles and activities.

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## 32. CENTER FOR MIGRATION STUDIES OF NEW YORK

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United States of America
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Fax: (718) 667-4598
E-mail: cmslft@aol.com
Web site: http://www.cmsny.org

Category requested: Special

Date established: 29 April 1969

Membership: The organization is an international organization.

Aims and activities of your organization

Article II, section 4, of the Center for Migration Studies by-laws states the purpose of the Center for Migration Studies (CMS) is to encourage and facilitate the study of socio-demographic, economic, political, legislative, historical, and pastoral aspects of human migration, refugee movements and ethnic group relations everywhere. Means for fulfilling CMS objectives include research; publications; an annual legal conference on immigration and refugee policy; establishment and maintenance of a library and archives; oversight of the J. B. Scalabrini Pastoral Institute; interaction with scholars, students, media, and policy makers in public and private institutions; cooperation with other research centres; and affiliation with the Federation of Centers for Migration Studies G. B. Scalabrini.

CMS carries out its mission in three ways: it gathers data and scholarly work regarding human international migration and catalogues such material in its library or archives, with the intention of making the catalogue available over the Internet; it disseminates such documents and data through its publications programme, which includes books, occasional papers, and scholarly and popular periodicals; and it fosters new ways of thinking about migration-related issues through its sponsorship of conferences, most regularly through its conference on legal proceedings, but including occasional conferences on other topics as needs arise and funding is available.

## 33. CENTER FOR STUDIES ON TURKEY

Address: Zentrum für Türkeistudien
Altendorfer Strasse 3
D-45127 Essen
Germany

Category requested: Special

Date established: 13 May 1991

Membership: The organization is a national organization with five individual members and eight organizational members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (deutsche mark):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 250 000 |
| Government | 422 337 |
| Intergovernmental organizations (EU contract; included in contracts below) | 120 999 |
| Contracts | 2 104 070 |
| Other sources | 163 015 |
| Total | 3 059 621 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 701 917 |
| Projects | 2 350 389 |
| Other activities | 50 331 |
| Total | 3 102 637 |

Aims and activities of your organization and its anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The Center works in the field of international migration and immigrants to analyse the new forms and root causes of migratory movements from southern to western Europe and the situation and living conditions of immigrants in Europe. The Center also studies Turkish migration, social, economic and political developments in Turkey and Turkey's ties with Europe. The main tasks of the Center are the preparation and evaluation of investigative projects, commentaries and reports on the questions and problems of migrant workers in Germany and in the EU as well as on the economic, cultural and scientific relations of the EU and Germany with Turkey. Other tasks include the dissemination of information on immigrants in Germany and on developments in Turkey among the German and European public, intensification of scientific, political, economic and cultural ties between representatives of Turkey and Germany, and providing a database to the public on the above-mentioned subjects.

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The Center offers pragmatic assistance to different immigrant groups in Germany, including migrant businessmen, Muslim organizations and elderly migrants. Within the framework of a project on conflict management, it offers assistance to and mediation between immigrant groups and German institutions (local authorities, business companies, private institutions, schools, cultural and sports institutions). The Center also carries out scientific studies and research commissioned by local, national and international organizations on the subjects mentioned above. It organizes regular conferences, seminars and meetings on scientific and political developments that affect the situation of immigrants in Germany and Turkey's relations with Germany and Europe.

In support of the Council's priorities, the Center would promote human rights, migrants' rights and the rights of minorities through its publications, symposia, workshops and conferences. The Center would focus on activities contributing to the European Conference Against Racism in 2001 and the World Conference on Racism and Racial Discrimination. The Center's activities within this framework would include sensitization of migrant non-governmental organizations in Germany and elsewhere in Europe against racism and racial discrimination, preparation of reports and studies on the issue, organization of preparatory meetings and seminars in Germany and in Turkey before the above-mentioned conferences for prior public discussion. The Center would engage in issues related to the following bodies: Commission on Human Rights; Commission on Population and Development; Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, and Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations.

## 34. FEDERATION OF IJAW COMMUNITIES

Address: 70 Arbery Road
Bow
London E3 5DD
United Kingdom

Category requested: Special

Date established: 24 November 1991

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 5,000 individual members and 25 organizational members in three countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (pounds sterling):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues/subscriptions | 840 |
| Revenue from contracts | 500 |
| Other | 1 150 |
| Total | 2 490 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 853 |
| Other activities | 1 500 |
| Total | 2 353 |

Aims and activities of your organization and its anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The Federation of Ijaw Communities (FEDICOM) is the representative umbrella organization for all United Kingdom/EU-based Ijaw community associations/groups. It represents over 5,000 individual members in the United Kingdom/EU, and in Nigeria, FEDICOM represents over 8 million people across the Niger Delta region, encompassing Akwa Ibom, Bayelsa, Delta, Edo, Ondo and Rivers states. It is an independent, voluntary, non-political, non-commercial, non-profit making, non-governmental organization. Its membership is made up of representatives from every one of the several United Kingdom/EU-based Ijaw community associations/ groups.

Activities

Since its inception on 24 November 1991, its activities have centred around its object of drawing by peaceful means the attention of the international community to the appalling environmental degradation and inhumane living conditions in the oil/gas-rich Niger Delta region of Nigeria. To that end, it

attended the World Conference on Human Rights (NGO Forum) in Vienna (10-12 June 1993), and the follow-up Manchester Forum on Sustainable Development (Agenda 21) in October 1994. It has over the years organized various campaigns, workshops, seminars, conferences etc. based on these fundamental issues. In particular, it organized an international conference on the Niger delta area of Nigeria, which led to the formation of an international committee on the Niger Delta, which subsequently came to be known as the Niger Delta Forum. It encompasses all ethnic nationalities of the Niger Delta, including the Ijaw Itshekiri, Isoko, Binis, Urhobos, Ogonis, Ibibios, Ikwerres, Ishans, Kwales, Annags, Ogbas etc., thereby bringing together a diverse set of peoples with diverse cultures and languages for the good of humanity.

It is the hope of FEDICOM to consolidate past achievements (noted above) with cooperation from the Council and to advance its work further by carrying out its planned activities. It is willing and prepared to keep and abide by the ethos, standards, and fundamental principles of the United Nations.

Finally, it appeals to the United Nations to help the helpless, impoverished, powerless Ijaw/Niger delta region of Nigeria. There is no alternative.

## 35. UNITED WORLD COLLEGES

Address: Lynton House
Tavistock Square
London WC1H 9LT
United Kingdom

Category requested: General

Date established: 19 June 1967

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 20,000 individual members and 120 organizational members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (pounds sterling):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Donations/grants | 228 523 |
| College contributions | 346 070 |
| Income from operations/sundry income | 16 982 |
| Investment income | 137 418 |
| Total | 728 993 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Scholarships | 261 408 |
| Programme/training | 147 931 |
| International administration | 224 220 |
| Communications | 109 924 |
| Total | 743 483 |

Aims and activities of your organization and its anticipated participation in the work of the Council

"Through international education, experience, and community service, United World Colleges enables young people to become responsible world citizens, politically and environmentally aware, committed to the ideals of peace and justice, understanding and cooperation, and to the implementation of these ideals through action and personal example."

The mission statement of United World Colleges is as follows: United World Colleges brings together students from all over the world to live and study together at 10 colleges based in the United Kingdom, Singapore, Canada, Swaziland, the United States, Italy, Venezuela, Hong Kong (China), Norway, and India. Selection of students is carried out by more than 100 national committees and is based on merit, irrespective of ability to pay. Students in nine colleges are aged 16-18 and study for the international baccalaureate;

students in the Venezuelan college are aged 18-21 and study for a diploma in farm management.

United World Colleges (UWC), as an organization in active partnership with UNESCO, supports issues related to education and access to education for all. UWC is also active in supporting the rights of young people and the right of access to education for young people who are refugees, and it intends to pursue these goals through working partnerships with the Council and, in particular, with the United Nations special agencies, UNHCR and UNICEF.

UWC students and graduates are collectively involved in community service projects throughout the world, including environmental protection programmes, conflict resolution programmes, African development conferences, rural development and world health issues.

In the area of environmental protection, more than 800 students at four UWC colleges are involved in official water pollution monitoring programmes, and one college maintains an oceanographic research laboratory. In the area of humanitarian assistance programmes, two colleges run accredited search and rescue teams, one of which operates at sea and one in the wilderness, and all students at all colleges assist in community service projects with marginalized children and young people.

Conflict resolution programmes are a major emphasis in all 10 UWC colleges, with students organizing and participating in week-end seminars, special studies weeks and peace institutes. Each year United World Colleges (International) organizes three or four summer programmes which bring together young people, often from troubled areas of the world. In 1998, UWC held summer programmes in the Middle East (Jordan), Lithuania, and Montenegro.

Above all, United World Colleges actively supports the realization of a role for young people in international discussions and decision-making. UWC students are trained, through the academic curriculum of the colleges and extracurriculum activities, to develop enquiring and independent minds and outlooks grounded in an international context. In this spirit, young people would act as representatives for United World Colleges whenever it participates in the work of the Council and the United Nations.

## 36. YACHAY WASI

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In Peru: La Conquista #3, Saphi
Cuzco

Category requested: Special

Date established: 10 June 1993

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 25 individual members and one organizational member in four countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (4/1/1998 thru 3/31/1999)
(United States dollars):

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 115.00 |
| Other | 6 905.43 |
| Total | 7 020.43 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 807.62 |
| Projects | 3 891.27 |
| Other activities | 1 354.44 |
| Total | 6 053.33 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Yachay Wasi (Quechua for House of Learning) is an international cultural/ educational non-profit organization registered in New York since 1993 and in Cuzco, Peru. It is an Indigenous non-governmental organization associated with the United Nations Secretariat Department of Public Information since 1997. Yachay Wasi works with the United Nations, organizes cultural exchanges between New York and the Cuzco region of Peru and is establishing in Acopia, birthplace of the Yachay Wasi president, a photographer of Inca descent, the Yachay Wasi Cultural Center to promote sustainable development projects in the community. Since 1975, the Yachay Wasi vice-president and treasurer have volunteered to organize cultural programmes at the New York Baha'i Center on United Nations issues and with Native American artists and artisans. Since 1985, the Yachay

Wasi treasurer has volunteered as representative to the International Romani Union and established contact with the UNESCO office in Paris, France. In 1991, Yachay Wasi officers became members of the NGO Committee for the 1993 International Year of the World's Indigenous People. Since 1993, Yachay Wasi has participated fully in the United Nations activities for indigenous people as a member of the Executive Committee of the NGO Committee on the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People and of the Working Group planning the yearly International Day. It worked within the Commission on Sustainable Development and was able to have the issue of Inca human remains included in the human rights caucus report.

In the United States, Yachay Wasi organizes programmes on the United Nations, indigenous issues and Inca culture; participates in festivals; and curates museum and college photographic exhibits with the support of material from the UNESCO World Heritage Centre. In Peru, Yachay Wasi educates people on United Nations issues and is involved in sustainable development projects.

Yachay Wasi's officers established friendly relations with the Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations, the Peruvian consulates and the Permanent Delegation of Peru to UNESCO, Paris.

Yachay Wasi publishes a quarterly newsletter and occasional brochures and has a web site.

Although Yachay Wasi operates on a shoestring budget, most of its money goes to projects in Peru where dollars go a long way. Funding proposals are pending. Officers and some members donate time. Peruvian members donate time and in kind.

Obtaining status with the Council would enable Yachay Wasi to enhance its work at the United Nations and attend Council meetings and conferences. Yachay Wasi would contribute reports on matters in which it has expertise.

## 37. ASSOCIATION MAURITANIENNE POUR LE BIEN-ÊTRE ET LE SECOURS DE L'ENFANT ET DE LA MÈRE

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Category requested: Special

Date established: 1994

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 80 individual members and 3 organizational members in one country.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (Mauritanian ouguiyas):

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|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Membership dues | 1 035 000 |
| | 1 020 600 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 1 163 084 |
| Revenue from contracts, etc. | 50 000 |
| Other income | |
| Contributions from students' parents | 1 800 500 |
| Sale of crafts made by cooperatives | 2 612 527 |
| Poverty eradication project | 325 000 |
| Total | 8 006 711 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Investment expenses | 770 789 |
| Administration (operation) | 3 124 529 |
| Projects (human development) | 2 257 551 |
| Other activities | 4 275 067 |
| Survey and assessment expenses | 711 445 |
| Total | 11 139 381 |

Aims and activities of your organization

The Association mauritanienne pour le bien-être et le secours de l'enfant et de la mère is a not-for-profit, non-governmental development and charitable organization. Its objectives are to eradicate poverty; to integrate female heads-of-household into professional life; to improve families' living conditions; to build awareness among and educate youth; to guarantee a better

future; to build awareness among, educate and train mothers; and to guarantee the rights of children and mothers.

Anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The Association intends to participate by helping the Council to fulfil its role properly; helping to improve relations between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations; participating in United Nations meetings on issues related to our objectives; encouraging the Council to consult and integrate non-governmental organizations for development; promoting the role of non-governmental organizations in political, economic and social changes at the national and international levels; and influencing policies and programmes for populations at the national and international levels.

## 38. COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL POUR LE RESPECT ET L'APPLICATION DE LA CHARTE AFRICAINE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME ET DES PEUPLES

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4 rue Kouagan
Lomé
Togo

Category requested: General

Date established: 1988

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 1,752 individual members and 17 organizational members in 47 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1997 (Swiss francs):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 1 200.00 |
| Other income | |
| Sale of publications | 50 300.00 |
| Miscellaneous contributions: Fund-raising | 15 765.00 |
| Total | 67 165.00 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration and projects | 29 921.85 |
| Other activities | 739.00 |
| Total | 30 660.85 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The Comité International pour le Respect et l'Application de la Charte Africaine des Droits de l'Homme et des Peuples (CIRAC) is a non-governmental organization established on 10 June 1988, whose main objective is to contribute to the protection and promotion of human rights by promoting knowledge of, compliance with and the implementation of international and regional human rights instruments such as the International Bill of Human Rights and the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights.

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CIRAC attempts to achieve this goal through, inter alia, the organization of human rights training seminars and the publication of works and cooperation with other organizations working for the defence of human rights, a sine qua non of world peace.

By thus mobilizing African and international public opinion and by disseminating the humanitarian principles and ideals proclaimed in the Charter of the United Nations and in international human rights instruments, CIRAC will undoubtedly help to strengthen the activities and visibility of the Economic and Social Council in the field of human rights and in the pursuit of social progress and peace in Africa and the rest of the world.

## 39. FELEGE GUIHON INTERNATIONAL

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CH-1203 Geneva
Switzerland

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1211 Geneva 4
Switzerland

Category requested: General

Date established: 1991

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 146 individual members in 20 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998/1999 (Swiss francs):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Membership dues | 56 000 |
| Other income | 122 200 |
| Total | 178 200 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 66 600 |
| Projects | 89 600 |
| Other activities | 22 000 |
| Total | 178 200 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Objectives

FGI supports social and human development, cultural and ecological restoration and measures to maintain the health of populations living near the sources of the Nile and in the countries through which the major African rivers flow. Its objectives are as follows:

(a) Environment - to protect the sources of the major African rivers, particularly those of the Pharaonic Nile;

(b) Social issues - to combat intolerance and uphold the rights of peoples who have been stigmatized and are victims of religious segregation, such as the

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Orit* Semites who inhabit the Horn of Africa; to combat genocide in Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda; and to promote the integration of the Ibos in Nigeria;

(c) Health - to improve wellness and prevent disease through a healthy diet, traditional medicine, a healthy lifestyle and sports.

Activities

1. Environment

- Since 1998, it has provided assistance for the settlement of nomads in the Karamoja region of Uganda.

- Since 1999, it has participated in a waste treatment programme for the city of Kampala in order to protect the groundwater sources of the Nile.

2. Social

- 1994 - organization of a seminar in Washington for the rights of the Orit peoples of Ethiopia.

- 1996 - seminar at the University of Nuremberg on resistance, stigma and immigration of the Falashas (Ethiopian Jews).

- May 1997 - seminar in Philadelphia on combating genocide.

- 1998 - organization of an international conference in Belgium on genocide.

- October 1999 - seminar on the integration of the Ibos people in the post-Biafra period.

3. Health

- In Uganda and Nigeria, we are working on a project to build a clinic.

- In Nigeria and the Great Lakes region, we trained groups to play sports.

4. Economic

- Since January 2000, FGI has been cooperating actively with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to eradicate poverty.

Projects

FGI would contribute to the work of the Council in the following areas:

- post-conflict rehabilitation and reconstruction in Nigeria, Uganda and Rwanda.

- diet and nutrition through education on organic foods;
- communication and information through the establishment of information technology schools;
- water resources through the distribution of drinking water in Uganda;
- the protection of indigenous peoples;
- social integration, protection and security of the Great Lakes populations in Africa;
- health, through the establishment of mobile outpatient clinics in Africa;
- poverty eradication, through close cooperation with the UNDP office;
- development financing, through the search for donors for social reintegration projects.

FGI would cooperate with the aim of providing support in the four main areas of the Council's work: environmental, social, health and economic issues.

## 40. INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE EARTH

Address: P.O. Box 194
Cross River, NY 10518
United States of America

Category requested: Special

Date established: 23 June 1992

Membership: The organization is an international organization with 1,500 individual members and five organizational members in 16 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (United States dollars)

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Balance, 1998 | 16 192.61 |
| Individual contributions | 2 525.00 |
| Other | |
| Pleiades Fund | 30 000.00 |
| Sokoni (Africa) Project | 27 600.00 |
| Sales | 470.00 |
| Green Belt Fund | 365.00 |
| Total | 60 960.00 |

| Expenditure | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 28 000.00 |
| Projects | 40 593.43 |
| Other activities | 3 443.16 |
| Total | 72 026.69 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

International Communities for the Renewal of the Earth (ICRE) has as its aim the creation and support of local groups of people dedicated to the vision of renewing the Earth by living out articulated principles, ethics and programmes for a sustainable human lifestyle.

Begun as an interfaith effort to support religious involvement in the Earth Summit in 1992 (UNCED), ICRE was responsible for developing a spiritual Earth charter which reflected the striving of the religious communities of five continents towards an understanding of the crucial importance of working to preserve the planet.

ICRE has expanded the dialogue to include a variety of professions and grass-roots organizations in heightening awareness on the central issue of sustainable development. This expansion has reached as far as Kenya where ICRE collaborates with the Green Belt Movement in the area of women's development and empowerment, and Ireland where ICRE offers leadership skills and partnership-building competencies in a changing society.

Already committed to the work of the Council in building awareness about and competencies that can address the social implications of a weakened environment, ICRE plans to expand through its consulting role to the Council its impact on the professions, institutions and grass-roots organizations of the United States and Europe through a process of cultural immersion and continuing dialogue in programmes such as the Africa Project and the Irish initiative.

Through its newsletters, publications, its support of the UNEP republication of Only One Earth, and the development of new partnerships with similar organizations, ICRE plans to deepen and widen its network of men and women from a variety of races, ethnic backgrounds and ages who are committed to speaking on behalf of the preservation of the environment and human culture and of the human beings who are currently victims of unsustainable consumerism.

41 PIONEER PEOPLE TRUST

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Category requested: Special

Date established: 31 March 1973

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 450 individual members in five countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1997/1998 (pounds sterling):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Donations and gifts | 359 000 |
| Other | 154 000 |
| Total | 513 000 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 20 000 |
| Projects | 331 000 |
| Other activities | 150 000 |
| Total | 501 000 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Pioneer People Trust stands within the historic, orthodox Christian tradition but endeavours to present the Christian message at all levels in culturally relevant ways. The main aims of the Trust are:

(a) The worship of God. The relationship that members have to God empowers them to see all people as made with a likeness to God. This helps them to relate in a selfless way to serve and care for others, without restriction to race, creed, language, sexual orientation, or social status. In addition to a vibrant musical life in the church, the worship of God is expressed in practical and material ways to bring the justice and care of God to all. Other settings

(b) The instruction and edification of Christians. This aim includes the encouragement of members to be proactively involved in worldwide social issues of justice, morality, ethics and conflict resolution. From children to the retired, leadership and life-skills training courses, conferences, seminars and workshops are carried out on a variety of issues;

(c) The care and Christian instruction of young people and children. This includes providing care workers in schools and supporting educational initiatives in religious, personal, social and moral education, and the development of education, including human rights and social justice issues. Based upon the members' relationship with God, the organization seeks to bring hope, care, and justice to all, irrespective of their background;

(d) The evangelization of non-Christians, by modelling a caring lifestyle, to help people develop a personal knowledge of God in a way which is culturally relevant, with respect for their background;

(e) The relief of poverty and sickness, by helping people to find a way out of poverty through partnership, education and life-skill training, and providing basic aid; by caring for the sick. The Trust is responsible for an aid project to a children's home and school in Romania, with resident key workers. The Trust also operates a homeless project in the United Kingdom for young men. It also supports various projects, including health and education in development contexts;

(f) The advancement of the Christian faith generally, by working at local, national and international levels to bring a Christian perspective to the lead elements of society, promoting care for the disadvantaged, justice for the oppressed, and understanding between people of different traditions and cultures. The Trust is currently active internationally in Africa, Romania, Hungary, Japan, and the United Republic of Tanzania. During the past year there were visits made to Mexico, India, Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, France, the United States and Slovakia to provide education, training and support to partner churches and organizations.

Pioneer People Trust would participate in the work of the Council by providing consultation, written contributions, reports, conference participation, committee representation and advice on international economic, social, cultural, educational, health, human rights, fundamental freedoms and related issues.

## 42. TEBTEBBA FOUNDATION – INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

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Category requested: General

Date established: 11 September 1996

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 17 individual members in 8 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (Philippine pesos):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Contributions from non-governmental organizations | 5 162 846.40 |
| Other income | 2 333 291.59 |
| Total | 7 496 137.99 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 2 153 937.26 |
| Projects | 1 781 383.03 |
| Other activities | 2 192 801.57 |
| Total | 6 128 121.86 |

Aims and activities of your organization

Tebtebba Foundation, the Indigenous Peoples' International Centre for Policy Research and Education, was established in 1996 within the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (1995-2004). Tebtebba, meaning "discourse" in the Philippine indigenous Kankanaey dialect, is firmly committed to the recognition, protection and promotion of indigenous peoples' rights worldwide.

It strives to help build the capacity of indigenous peoples in undertaking advocacy, education and campaign work in the national and international arenas. As a policy research centre for indigenous peoples, Tebtebba Foundation seeks to undertake research and documentation on key concerns of indigenous peoples. It helps process that information for dissemination to key indigenous peoples' organizations. Furthermore, Tebtebba aims to help in capacity-building through education and training sessions.

Tebtebba Foundation is therefore active in lobbying and networking to help ensure the passage of the draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples, as adopted by the Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities of the Commission on Human Rights. Tebtebba is also involved in lobbying for the adoption by the General Assembly of a permanent forum for indigenous peoples. The Commission on Human Rights has established an ad hoc working group to elaborate and consider proposals for the establishment of such a forum.

Since its inception in 1996, Tebtebba Foundation has been active in the United Nations, specifically in the Council. Its advocacy and lobbying continue to be focused on - but are not limited to - the following United Nations bodies: the Working Group on Indigenous Populations, the Commission on Human Rights Inter-sessional Open-ended Working Group to Elaborate a Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples; the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations and the United Nations Voluntary Fund for the World Decade of Indigenous People; the Commission on Sustainable Development; the Convention on Biological Diversity; and the World Trade Organization.

Anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Tebtebba Foundation would continue its lobbying and advocacy in the above-stated bodies as well as in other United Nations bodies. It would continue to attend and actively participate in conferences, meetings and other activities of those bodies as it strives to help ensure that the presence and active participation of indigenous peoples is sustained and enhanced.

## 43. VÄESTÖLIITTO — FAMILY FEDERATION OF FINLAND

Address: P.O. Box 849
00101 Helsinki
Finland

Category requested: Roster

Date established: 20 March 1941

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 26 organizational members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (Finnish markkaa):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 7 050 |
| Contributions from Governments | 1 053 896 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 12 005 620 |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | 963 449 |
| Other income | 29 788 652 |
| Total | 43 818 667 |

Expenditure

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|---|---|
| Administration | 4 531 072 |
| Projects | 36 913 341 |
| Other activities | 2 689 614 |
| Total | 44 134 027 |

Aims and activities of your organization

Väestöliitto, the Family Federation of Finland, is a non-governmental organization devoted to the welfare of individuals, families and children. Its objective is a balanced population throughout the world. Väestöliitto carries out advocacy work and provides services.

Väestöliitto maintains its own Population Research Institute, which carries out research on population, families and sexual behaviour; runs a demographic library and provides databased online information service. Its Sexual Health Clinic promote sexual health and rights by providing information and education, developing and providing sexual health services, paying special attention to adolescents. It also carries out clinical contraceptive research and offers psychologists' services and counselling to families with children. Väestöliitto maintains three infertility clinics in Finland, which examine and treat involuntarily childless couples. The Department of Medical Genetics provides genetic counselling consultative aid, lectures and information to physicians, medical personnel and clients. The Child Care Service provides temporary

childcare for families. Väestöliitto also produces materials on sexuality education and human relationships as well as global population issues.

Väestöliitto does advocacy work to raise the awareness of decision makers and the media on the importance of giving priority to population and sexual health programmes in overseas development cooperation.

Väestöliitto is currently involved in three overseas development projects in the field of sexual and reproductive health: a contraceptive social marketing project in Viet Nam, prevention of HIV/AIDS in Mexico, and strengthening sexual health, family planning and STD-prevention in rural Malawi.

Anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Väestöliitto would continue and intensify its cooperation with UNFPA. It is also willing to participate in other United Nations activities within its field of action by doing advocacy work and by networking with other non-governmental organizations. Väestöliitto is eager to receive United Nations information and materials within its field of action and will circulate its own materials.

## 44. WORLD COUNCIL FOR PSYCHOTHERAPY

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Category requested: General

Date established: 13 March 1996

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 265 individual members and 91 organizational members in 59 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (United States dollars):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 10 200 |
| Contributions from Governments | 250 000 |
| Contracts | 140 000 |
| Other sources | 785 000 |
| Total | 1 185 200 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 49 000 |
| Projects | 1 185 200 |
| Total | 1 234 200 |

Aims and activities of your organization

The main aims and activities of the organization are:

(a) To offer and provide psychotherapy experts worldwide;

(b) To cooperate with national and international organizations in peacekeeping and conflict management;

(c) To support all efforts to maintain human rights;

(d) To develop a worldwide network on all psychotherapeutic issues;

(e) To consult authorities in different countries on issues concerning the emotional/psychic sphere of individuals and groups;

(f) To unite all psychotherapists, psychotherapeutic institutes with their different school orientation, psychotherapeutic researchers and their institutes, and their national and international organizations;

(g) Organization of the World Congress for Psychotherapy (every three years);

(h) Organization of local congresses for psychotherapy;

(i) Close cooperation with the European Commission regarding the practice of psychotherapy in the European Union;

(j) Provision of ethical guidelines;

(k) An Internet homepage with general information on psychotherapy;

(l) Active support of educational projects;

(m) Support of research projects.

Anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The WCP would participate in the work of the Council by establishing a network with the Council, organizing an exchange of experts, developing projects, and attending international meetings.

## 45 CENTRE AFRICAIN DE RECHERCHE INDUSTRIELLE

Address: B.P. 16513 Kinshasa 1
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Electronic mail address: c/o UNDP-Kinshasa

Category requested: General

Date established: 17 April 1992

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 45 individual members and 45 organization members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars)

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Membership dues | 18 000 |
| Revenue from contracts | 28 000 |
| Other income | 31 000 |
| Total | 77 000 |

| Expenditure | |
|---|---|
| Administration | 25 000 |
| Projects | 41 000 |
| Other activities | 8 000 |
| Total | 74 000 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The aim of the Centre africain de recherche industrielle is to put science and technology at the service of development so that African leaders may not resort to an approach based on guesswork and intuition in order to resolve the continent's development problems. The Centre is involved in the areas of social scie.ce as well as natural and applied science, including through: the office of metrology in each African country; the Institut congolais d'entrepreneuriat (Congolese Institute of Entrepreneurship); the Institut panafricain de hautes études industrielles (Pan African Institute of Advanced Industrial Studies); the Pan African Institute of Oceanography; the national council on ethics and good governance; and a survey on the management of public health systems in Africa.

All the foregoing activities clearly show that the Centre will be a resource body for the Council, especially as far as issues pertaining to Africa's development are concerned, to the extent that they can be resolved through science. The Centre, with its wealth of field experience and knowledge, will be an invaluable source of advice on African development.

## 46. DOMINICANS FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE – ORDER OF PREACHERS

Address: 4-6 ave Louis Aubert, P.O. Box 97
CH-1211 Geneva 25
Switzerland

Category requested: General

Date established: 9 June 1998

Membership: The organization is an international organization, with 14 individual members in 12 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Other income: grant | 35 374 |
| Total | 35 374 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 26 089.48 |
| Other activities | 12 000.00 |
| Total | 38 089.48 |

Aims and objectives of your organization

The aims and objectives of the Dominicans for Justice and Peace (Order of Preachers) are:

(a) To support the work and activities of the International Commission of Justice and Peace of the Order of Preachers and in other international organizations;

(b) To promote training and education and other activities in justice and peace;

(c) To raise awareness worldwide of issues which fall under the purview of the Council such as the rights of minorities, religious freedom, peace, women's rights, children's rights, the right to development and the rights of indigenous peoples;

(d) To work collaboratively with other non-governmental organizations involved in justice and peace, and human rights issues at the United Nations.

In its initial year (1998) Dominicans for Justice and Peace (Order of Preachers) focused on establishing its office in Geneva. However, it did carry

out research work and published and distributed newsletters and reports on the activities of the United Nations.

Anticipated participation in the work of the Council

Our organization would participate in the work of the Economic and Social Council by promoting the role of the United Nations and its relevant instruments and bodies involved in the protection and promotion of human rights. We would provide information to our members and sponsor training and workshops on the role which the United Nations can play in advancing the cause of justice and human rights.

Through our permanent office in Geneva we would follow Council-related issues and participate in meetings of United Nations bodies such as the Commission on Human Rights, the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, the Third Committee of the General Assembly, the Human Rights Committee and the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

Individual members of Dominicans for Justice and Peace are involved in promotional activities related to the United Nations in their respective regions. They give presentations and workshops on the United Nations and the Council in a number of countries. Individual members acting on behalf of the organization publish articles and give interviews to the media in Geneva and in their respective countries on the activities and issues raised at the United Nations.

## 47. INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT LAW

Address: 733 15tn Street NW
Suite 420
Washington, D.C. 20005
United States of America

Category requested: Special

Date established: 15 October 1992

Membership: ICNL is neither a membership organization nor an association. It is an independent, self-governing, voluntary, non-profit corporation.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Income** | |
| Contributions from Governments | 942 876 |
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | 189 828 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 123 195 |
| Revenue from contracts etc. | 9 943 |
| Other income | 7 447 |
| Total | 1 273 289 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 346 156 |
| Projects | 982 743 |
| Total | 1 328 899 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The International Center for Not-for-profit Law (ICNL) is an international organization that facilitates and supports the development of civil society. Its purpose is to assist the creation and improvement of laws and regulatory systems that permit, encourage, and regulate voluntary, independent, not-for-profit organizations in countries around the world.

ICNL is engaged in a variety of activities that respond to local needs for the improvement of legal and fiscal enabling environments. In developing a country's institutional capacity to promote and sustain a sound legal environment for civil society, ICNL seeks to establish sound laws and regulations, train and educate lawyers and government officials to understand the sector of not-for-profit organizations, and make it better educated and better organized.

For example, in Central and Eastern Europe, ICNL's technical and legal assistance for the creation of an appropriate not-for-profit legal/fiscal framework has resulted in the development of sound laws governing registration, rights of founders/members, reporting requirements, dissolution, and tax benefits. In responding to the need to increase local capacity through education, research and training, ICNL has developed law school seminar materials that teach local lawyers how to represent not-for-profit organizations and resolve disputes with local authorities.

In the newly independent States, ICNL has produced English and Russian language reports on the legal structure of the not-for-profit sector, funded consultancies in Armenia and Georgia, trained not-for-profit organization leaders from Central Asian Republics, provided technical assistance to legal experts in Moldova, and assisted the Ministry of Justice in Uzbekistan in drafting a new not-for-profit organization law. In the Middle East, ICNL has assisted in the development of new laws governing not-for-profit organizations in the West Bank and Gaza, and Yemen under a contract with the World Bank, and in Egypt under a contract with USAID.

ICNL has actively participated in international organizations and conferences and has published materials on the legal, regulatory, and fiscal framework for the global development of civil society, including handbooks on international standards, principles and best practices for not-for-profit organization laws around the world.

ICNL is interested in participating in the work of the Council particularly as it relates to civil society and participatory economic and social development. ICNL is the only organization that works globally to strengthen the freedom of association by helping to create and improve laws and regulatory systems that permit and encourage civil society, promote self-sustainability for non-governmental organizations, and facilitates the full participation of non-governmental organizations in social and economic development.

## 48. KYRGYZ COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Address: Ivanitsin str. 123, apt. 87
720011,
Bishkek
Kyrgyzstan

Category requested: Roster

Date established: 20 June 1996

Membership: The organization is a national organization, with 400 individual members and 10 organizational members.

Summary of financial statement for 1999 (United States dollars):

Income

| | |
|---|---|
| Contributions from intergovernmental organizations | 99 383 |
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 25 000 |
| Total | 124 383 |

Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Administration | |
| Projects | 17 280 |
| | 107 103 |
| Total | 124 383 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The following programmes are just a part of the work of the Kyrgyz Committee for Human Rights (KCHR):

(a) Programmes against torture. The project against torture has been carried out since 1998. By executing this project the Committee intends to raise citizens' awareness of their general rights and rights pertaining to instruments against torture; to inform international human rights organizations on the situation in penitentiary facilities of Kyrgyzstan and specific cases of torture and maltreatment of convicts and detainees; to collect statistical data on violations of rights of convicts and detainees in Kyrgyzstan; and to urge Kyrgyz authorities to take measures to eliminate mistreatment against persons deprived of their freedom.

(b) Legal assistance. Five legal experts and coordinators in the Bishkek office and in the regional divisions of KCHR receive complaints from citizens whose human rights were violated, provide consultations and represent them in courts free of charge. In 1998, 2,133 citizens turned to KCHR; 196 cases were brought to court, 119 cases were won. KCHR pays special attention to accounts

of human rights violations against outspoken political opponents, independent journalists, and media outlets.

(c) Education. In 1998 KCHR conducted nine seminars and workshops dedicated to human rights issues. The seminars are remarkable for the involvement of professors, teachers, human rights activists and non-governmental organization leaders. They deliver lectures on various international human rights instruments and specific human rights issues. Discussions are devoted to issues of fair elections and electoral rights. Seminar participants are urged to take part in upcoming elections as independent observers to ensure that no forgery or other violations of electoral rights take place. Last year 24 participants of these seminars acted as members of polling commissions and 48 as independent observers during by-elections. KCHR prepared a report on these elections which was published in Civil Society, a newsletter of the International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights.

(d) In 1998 educational seminars were held in various plants and factories where over 2,000 people received information on the privatization process and its impact on human rights.

(e) Monitoring elections. KCHR monitors elections and referendums in Kyrgyzstan. In 1998 KCHR provided more than 100 observers for a referendum on amending and supplementing the Constitution of Kyrgyzstan. It reported an increased number of violations of the freedoms of association and of expression. Basing on KCHR reports, Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch sent their protests against human rights violations to the chief authorities of Kyrgyzstan.

(f) Lobbying and legislative initiatives. KCHR participates in draft-law discussions in the Kyrgyz Parliament and actively offers its suggestions on laws that ensure human rights observance. KCHR also writes letters of protest against laws that allow human rights abuses, and suggests remedies for correcting the law. In 1998 several laws were amended as a result of KCHR's activities. The Committee made suggestions to the new Criminal Procedure Code and to the new Election Code.

(g) Establishing and reinforcing other non-governmental organizations. Two non-governmental organizations were established with the help of KCHR in 1998 – Adam Ukuqu (Human Rights) and Teqizchil. Both organizations tackle various aspects of human rights. Teqizchil works in the area of women's rights. The Public Association for Social Protection of Population, established by KCHR in 1997, successfully continues to work for the social and human rights of elderly people. Its contribution to amending the old Law on Pensions was crucial.

## 49. WORLD ANIMAL NET

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Web site: http://worldanimal.net

Category requested: Special

Date established: 27 January 1997

Membership: The organization is an international non-profit organization with 1,142 organizational members in 75 countries.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (United States dollars):

| Income | |
|---|---|
| Contributions from other non-governmental organizations | 7 284.26 |
| Other sources | 1 127.58 |
| Total | 8 411.84 |
| **Expenditure** | |
| Administration | 2 876.54 |
| Projects | 3 847.50 |
| Total | 6 724.04 |

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

World Animal Net (WAN) is the world's largest association of animal protection organizations, with 1,142 affiliated societies in 75 countries and offices in the United Kingdom and the United States of America. World Animal Net is not affiliated with any non-governmental organization.

World Animal Net provides a network for communication and exchange for the international animal protection community. It works as a clearing house for any information or resources of interest or utility to animal groups internationally.

It has an authoritative web site (http://worldanimal.net) which includes a directory with close to 10,000 animal groups in over 130 countries and serves as a resource for the animal protection community, with extensive sections on

animal protection law, animal welfare science and background information on global animal protection issues.

World Animal Net also has subject-specific e-mail news and resource lists on the use of animals in experiments; animals in entertainment; animals used for fur; farm animals; and a general list for WAN contacts with affiliate societies.

Future major World Animal Net projects include expansion of animal protection legislation resources, an animal welfare science database, and increased communication to affiliates on global regulatory issues, legislation and conventions.

World Animal Net would welcome the opportunity to participate in all areas of United Nations work connected to animal ethics and/or animal protection. The aims of World Animal Net relate to the work of the following bodies: Commission on Sustainable Development; World Trade Organization; United Nations Environment Programme; International Fund for Agricultural Development; Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; and World Health Organization.

World Animal Net would send representatives to attend all meetings relating to matters that could have animal protection implications. World Animal Net would welcome the opportunity to contribute international expertise to United Nations deliberations, and to disseminate all relevant United Nations information to animal protection organizations worldwide.

World Animal Net would also be willing to undertake special studies/ investigations for the United Nations on any aspect of animal protection concern/activity.

## 50. YWCA OF/DU CANADA

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Canada
Tel.: 416-962-8881
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Category requested: Roster

Date established: 1893

Membership: The organization is a national organization with 42 organizational members.

Summary of financial statement for 1998 (Canadian dollars):

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|---|---|
| Income | |
| Membership dues | 666 721 |
| Contributions from Governments | 418 358 |
| Other income | 178 693 |
| Total | 1 263 772 |
| Expenditure | |
| Administration | 458 078 |
| Projects | 376 770 |
| Other activities | 255 740 |
| Total | 1 090 588 |

The YWCA of/du Canada is one of the oldest organizations serving women in the country. Its purpose is to sustain women in Canada to achieve equality and socio-economic autonomy. Its mission is: "A Voice for Equality ... A Strong Voice for Women".

Local YWCAs offer services in more than 200 communities in areas such as emergency shelter and non-profit housing for women and children; childcare services; day camps; summer camps; employment, literacy and related programmes; health and wellness programmes; single mothers programmes and services; information and referral, legal counselling and crisis intervention.

The YWCA of/du Canada actively advocates on women's issues that are linked to local programming (violence, equity). The YWCA is committed to creating more responsive and safer communities that enable women and their families to reach their full potential. The YWCA works actively for the development and improved

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status of women and for responsible social and economic changes. Every year the YWCA organizes the "YWCA week without violence" campaign and distributes anti-violence materials such as Fresh Start and Taking Action on Violence in the Lives of Young Women to the YWCAs and to the general public.

The YWCA is a volunteer movement whose strength lies in the volunteers, staff, individuals, corporations and governmental and non-governmental organizations that contribute to its success. The YWCA of/du Canada collaborates with other like-minded organizations to support autonomy and the advancement of women. The work of the YWCA of/du Canada is carried out in many different ways: dissemination of publications and information on women's social participation and empowerment; participation in international seminars, conferences and consultative meetings regarding women and their status; preparation of alternative reports and research in this field; provision of advice on specific issues raised by member associations. In undertaking these activities, the YWCA of/du Canada upholds and refers to the basic principles of the United Nations such as the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, CEDAW and the Beijing Platform for Action.

Aims and activities of your organization and anticipated participation in the work of the Council

The YWCA of/du Canada would continue to participate actively in United Nations-sponsored meetings on the rights and advancement of women. It would expand its information-sharing activities to relevant sections of the United Nations Secretariat, participate in and offer its expertise to the Commission on the Status of Women and to consultations that seek the advancement of women, in particular at ECE regional meetings, and Beijing +5 reviews and assemblies.